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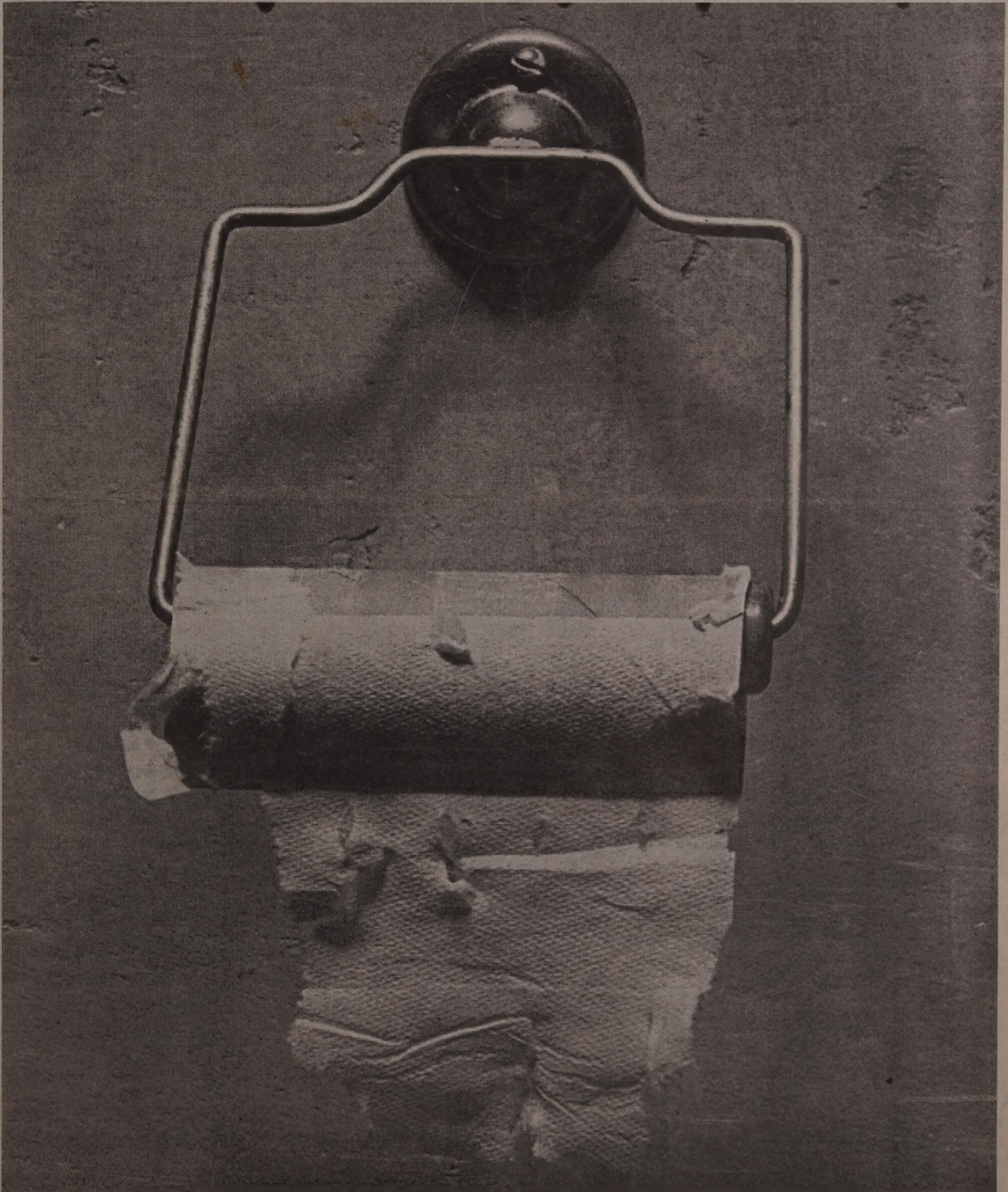
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Got T.P.?

by Teresa M. Iaconi
Resident Cultural Maven

Welcome(back) to everyone returning to these hallowed halls here at good old Worcester State...There is SO much I must relate to you on the Arts and Entertainment front, namely...

The radio station will hopefully be back in business real soon, and we'll privy to the sounds of our own fellow students putting out excellent music...they are always looking to include everyone, so drop a line in their mailbox (on the mezzanine level of the Student Center)...or give them a ring. More to come on that next week when we can get a hold of their manager, Laurie, to give us the deal on that...

For those of you who are new to Worcester, there is a lot to do in this city, you just have to know where to go. Lots of cool local bands play every week, and there are plenty of little coffeehouses and out-of-the way places to hang out. Check out the following:

Cool local bands: (I'll be reviewing more of them soon)- check out Mocha Java, very interesting music, talented musicians, they have a disc out that you can try to pick up at one of our many record stores...also, playing on September 13? is Too Far Gone at

the Espresso Bar at 8:00, sort of industrial, Depeche-Mode ish...very talented guys who deserve to be heard...go check them out.

We also have quite a few concert venues in the area; Mechanics Hall for cool classical and jazz, the Worcester Auditorium for much of the same. Also, the Centrum, which will play host to those obnoxious chaps of Oasis (with the Screaming Trees) this Friday at 7...I will personally be bringing you the deal on this totally wonderful show, so you can read all about that next week.

If you need to pick up any sort of music, there are lotsa places to go...the standard Strawberries and Record Towns, but for cool, cheap used discs, etc., go to Al Bum's on Highland St. or Music Quest on Grafton St. For the very best in music (imports, hard-to-find bands) plus a very decent selection of DocMarten shoes and boots, AirWalks, YellowCabs...hard-to-find-unless-you-want-to-go-to-Boston jewelry and hairdye and clothing and did I mention CD's? this is a wonderful place, my

favorite, go check it out. While you're at it, Media play in the Fashion Outlets is wonderful as well. For good books, go to Tatnuck Bookseller right here on Chandler St...have a coffee in their cool cafe while you're at it. Barnes and Noble in Auburn will blow you away if you love books, a great environment to shop in.

As I mentioned, Worcester is also home to some great eateries and coffeehouses; my personal favorites: for a wonderful, romantic and classy atmosphere, as well as excellent coffee and deserts, head to Caffè Giacomo on Shrewsbury Street. But my personal favorite has to be the Coffee Kingdom on Richmond St...next

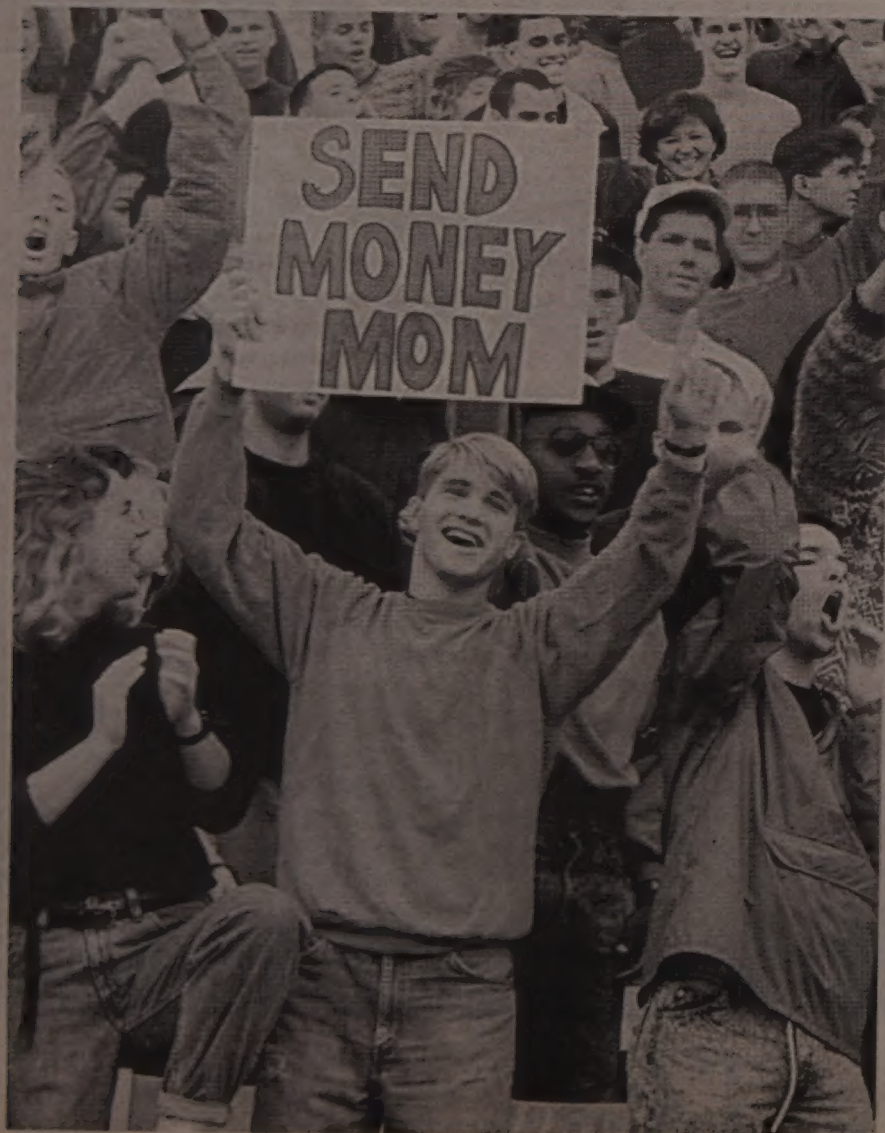
to Parrot Piercing. This is doubtless the best little coffeehouse for excellent drinks, wonderful deserts, and a great atmosphere. Go in, order, and soak up the scene, everyone will know your name within three days, but that's okay.

There's much more than that to do here, but next week I'll start doing some reviews, etc. Meanwhile, get cultural and check out the Art Museum while you're killing time. And of course, for those of you not from Worcester, turn your walkmen to 90.5 for jazz, 102.5 for classical, 107.3 for rock, 94.5 for r&b, and of course, my favorite, 95.5 for the best "alternative." See you...

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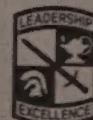
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Opinion/Editorial

The Soapbox

Welcome back from summer vacation, all you WSC students, faculty, staff, etc. (you know who you are). For those Freshmen and transfers who are new this semester, let me be the last (you hope) to welcome you to Worcester State College.

The Student Voice, which you are presently reading, is the average student's major means of learning about those events that affect the Worcester State College campus. It also serves as a way for the students of Worcester State College to express themselves to the Worcester State College Community, when they feel the need to do so. Third, the Student Voice exists as a place to have **fun** during a student's down-time on campus. Over the past few years, this has been forgotten by previous Editors-in-Chief (more on that next time). I'm going to try to turn that around.

To this end, every issue, starting with the next, will feature a parody page somewhere within, which will be replete with (hopefully) humorous stories and ads.

Don't think that this will mean that the Student Voice will become a joke paper. On the contrary, the Student Voice will continue to provide as much coverage of newsworthy events, sports, A&E, original poetry, as well as any letters to the editor that are written, as we can.

However, we can't do it alone. We need your help to produce a newspaper. We can use whatever you can bring to the table. Got a camera? Be a photographer. Got a penchant for drawing? Become a cartoonist. Do you like to watch sports? Be a sports reporter. Like to write? Become a reporter. There are always openings available for anyone who wants to join. Obviously, not everyone will be able to do exactly what they want all of the time, (hell, I never get to do what I want anymore) but I think that it can all be worked out.

I hope to see your happy, shiny face in the office soon!

David Spencer
Editor-in-Chief

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Worcester State College Election 1996...

To All WSC Students:

We know Worcester State College students aren't shy! You share your opinions and offer insightful suggestions on a variety of issues. Now, your college needs your input.

During the 1995-96 academic year we appointed a Graphic Identity Committee, with representatives from the faculty, staff, students and alumni, and gave them an important assignment—to develop a new college logo. The group worked with Bergeron Creative Group Inc., a marketing and graphic design agency based in Westborough, Mass., on this exciting project. Together, they channeled their creative energy and knowledge of the college's long history and future plans and came up with two distinctive logos.

Now, here's the challenge. Although we are equally pleased with both designs, we can only adopt one logo. The committee decided to hold a democratic election and put the final decision out for a vote.

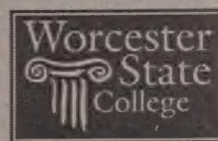
Please cut out this ballot and drop off your vote at the Information Desk located in the Student Center or in the Office of Development & External Relations (Administration building, Room 210) by September 10, 1996. The winning logo will be announced by the end of September. Be a part of the future legacy of Worcester State College. **Cast your vote today!**

Thank you,

Joseph Webber
Joseph Webber
Chair, Graphic Identity Committee



(A)



(B)

Yes, count my vote! Please Check One Logo Design: Logo A ☐ Logo B ☐

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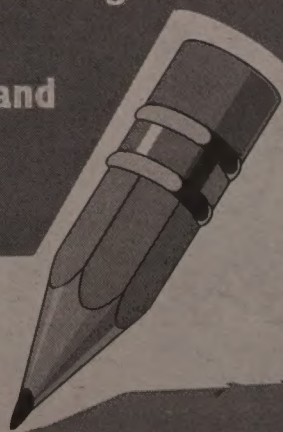
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ORIENTATION '96

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Several student wait to get IDs.
This was one of two lines for them.



I have no idea why
this couple is
dancing. (At least
I'm honest about it,
though.)



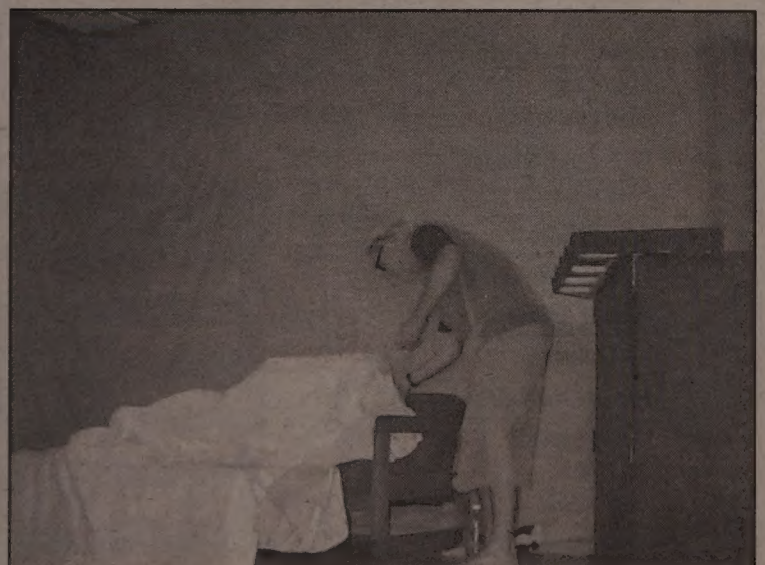
Chief Granger, Helen Joseph, and Ann Coons were
on-hand to help with the making of IDs.



Some of this years' incoming Freshmen have a Coke and a
smile as they wait for the Orientation Leaders' skits.



The Wave makes a comeback, and it's still easier to
remember than the Macarena.



The human condom warns against sexually transmitted dis-
eases to a couple at an inopportune moment, during the Orien-
tation skits

ORIENTATION '96

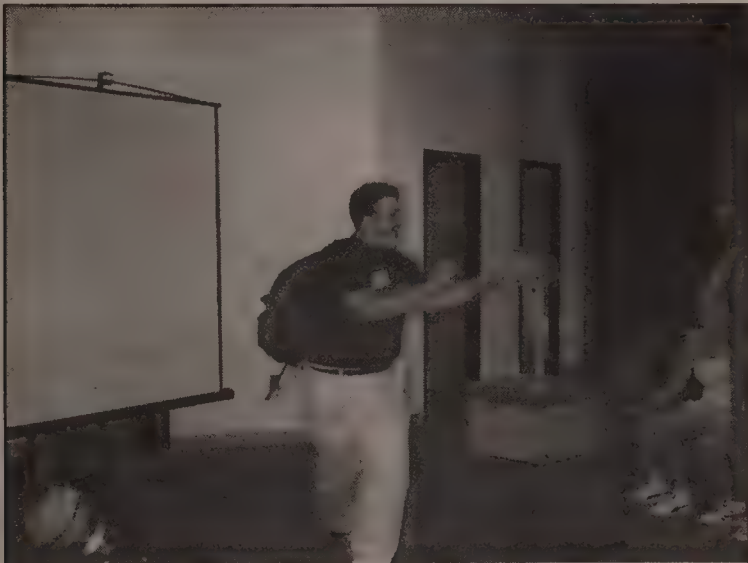
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The panel speaks on everything from Student Activities to Athletics to Religion.



Orientation Leaders order beer right in front of the freshmen, during one of the skits



Orientation Leader Matt Zell tries to get the new students into a frenzy.



Students sit enraptured by Chief Granger's speech on parking procedures at Worcester State College.

Sports

Marlboro Shamrocks Win Tough One Over Randolph Oilers

By Dave Spencer
Editor-in-Chief

The Marlborough Shamrocks, defending EFL (Eastern Football League) Champions, and two-time USFA-MLFA (United States Football Association-Minor League Football Association) National Champions, played a tough game against the Randolph Oilers, but held out and won the game 19-7.

Marlborough won the toss, and on the kickoff, brought the ball back to the 35 yard line. Marlborough QB Dave Palazzi's (#8) first pass was incomplete, but he more than made up for it on the second play when he passed the ball to receiver Rich Gedeon (#82) who brought the ball in for a touch down. Kicker Keith Dalzell (#5) scored the extra point making

the score 7-0.

On the Oilers first possession defensive lineman Larry Heindl (#56) caused a fumble that was picked up by Shamrocks end Jeff Lang (#84).

On their second possession, the Shamrocks had a harder time. A second pass to Gedeon set up a field goal by Shamrocks veteran John Toyias (#4). This made the score 10-0.

One of the Oilers drives was ended until a roughing the kicker penalty was called on the Shamrocks. Luckily, Marlborough back Claude Pettaway (#3) intercepted an Oiler pass later in the drive.

The Shamrocks would score one more time in the half on a Palazzi pass to Greg Moore (#1) for another touch down. Dalzell's extra point made the score 17-0 at the end of the half.

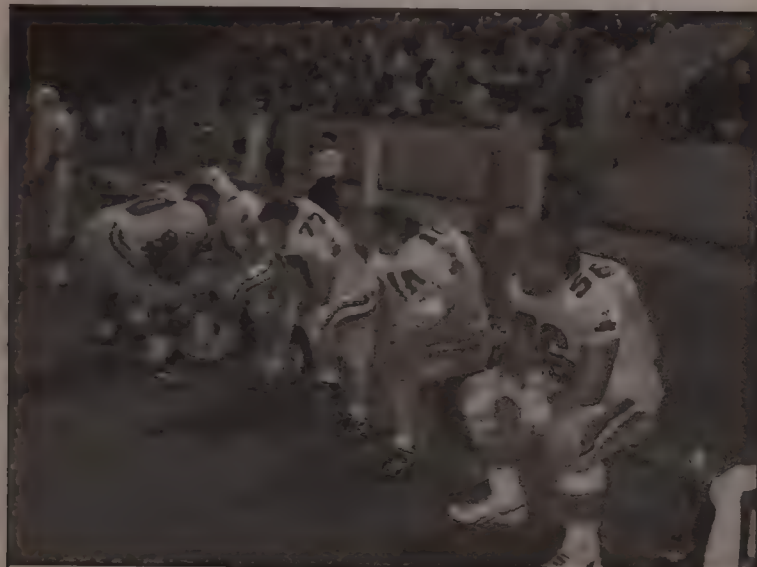
Anthony Comer (#8), the Oilers QB, was the main weapon of the Oiler offense in the 2nd half. Three 4th down QB keepers, each leading to a first down, set up a run into the end zone for Randolph receiver Dan Grew. The extra point was kicked by Mike Eldar, one of the team's fullbacks. This, the only score for Randolph, made the score 17-7.

The only other score of the game came in the 4th quarter when Marlborough sacked the Randolph QB in their own end zone, for a safety. The final score was 19-0.

It should be noted that Randolph was a tougher opponent than the score shows. They kept the Marlborough defense on the

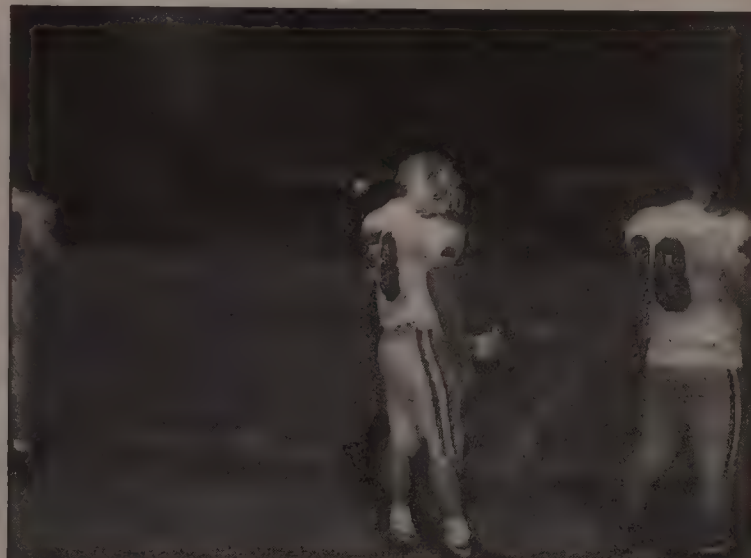
field, and rarely were sacked. Also, the refereeing of this game was not exactly incredible. Early whistles (Whistles blown before the play was over), bad calls, and missed calls did not help the Oilers offense. One of the worst non-calls in the game, came when Marlborough QB was sacked, well before he hit the ground, the ball was dropped. Palazzi was at least a foot off the ground at this point. It was ruled that the ground caused it.

The Marlborough Shamrocks are on the road next week. Their next game is against the Mitchell Club Cobras, on Friday, September 6 at 7:30 PM in Middleborough, MA.



The Shamrocks Defense takes an infrequent break. Pictured are (r. to l.) Larry Heindl, Chris Butts, Larry Doray, and kicker John Toyias.

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The Shamrocks always cheer on their teammates from the sidelines

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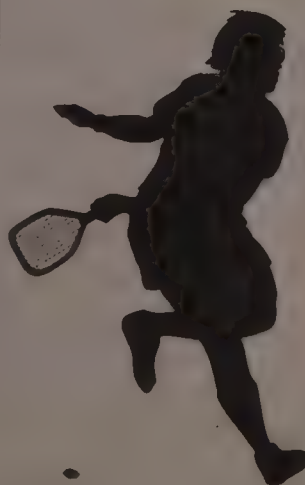
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The Comic Strip

By Dave Spencer
Whose Mother Was a Hamster, and
Whose Father Smelt of Eldarberries!!!

Welcome back to school, folks!!!
I'm Sure that you want to be here just
as much as I do.

For those of you who have never
read this column before, It is a weekly
column about the comic book industry.
It starts off with a news section con-
taining as much up to the minute news
as possible. This is followed by a list
of releases for the week, and then a
back issue of the week.

First up: **Image's** first company
wide crossover will be held fairly soon.
Shattered Image will be a four-issue
mini-series featuring a threat so huge
that the entire Image Universe, is
needed to combat it.

Also from **Image** is a second Spawn
ongoing series. The series, entitled
Curse of the Spawn, will feature sto-

Vertigo

Preacher #19
Seekers into the Mystery #10
Terminal City #5

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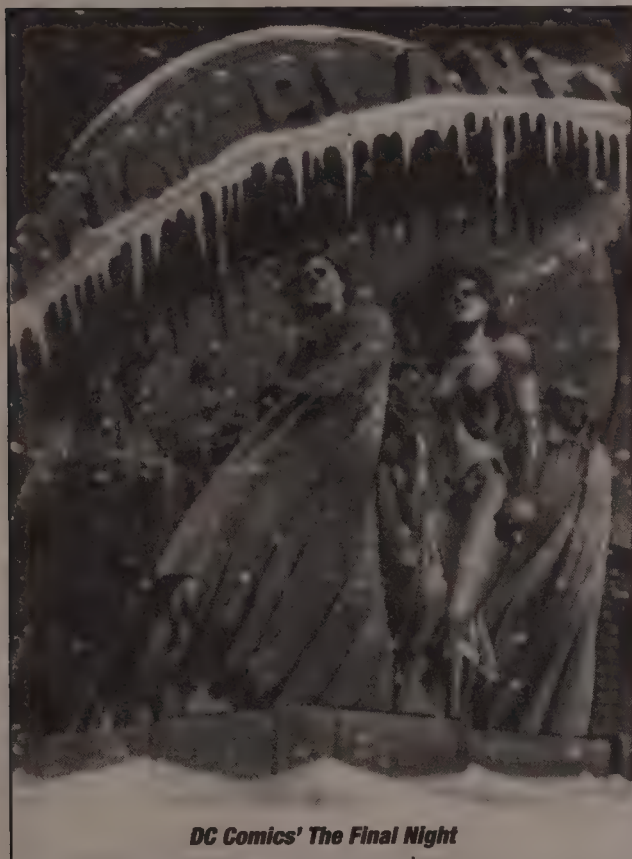
Hitman #1

Publisher: DC Comics
Writer: Garth Ennis
Art: John McCrea
Wizard Guide Value: \$4.00

Hitman is the story of super-
powered assassin Tommy Monaghan.
His powers are those of x-ray vision
and telepathy. Lucky for the good
guys, he only takes assignments on
those he considers evil.

The basic story of the first couple

of issues is that
a couple of
demons want to
hire Monaghan
as their agent
on earth. Also,
Monaghan
receives a
contract on the
Joker! Will he
be able to
complete the hit
before Batman
interferes?
Read the book
and find out!



DC Comics' The Final Night

ries of different Spawns from all
throughout history, and even the distant
future.

OUT THIS WEEK:

Dark Horse Comics

Grifter and the Mask #1
Jonny Quest: The Real Adventures #1

DC Comics

The Batman and Robin Adventures
Annual #1
Final Night #1
Green Lantern #80
Hitman #7
Lobo: Death and Taxes #2
Nightwing #2
Pinky and the Brain #5
Power of Shazam! #20
Showcase '96 #10
Sovereign Seven #16
Starman #24
Steel #32
Superman #117
Superman Adventures #1
Total Justice #2

Milestone Media

Icon #40

Student Activities Fair!!

On Wednesday, September 11, the
annual Student Activities Fair will
be held. This is your chance to
come out and see what it is that
those wacky organizations are all
about. All the major organiza-
tions, including L'BIGA, Student
Events Committee, Student Gov-
ernment Association, Third World
Alliance, the Student Voice, and
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most important, join something.

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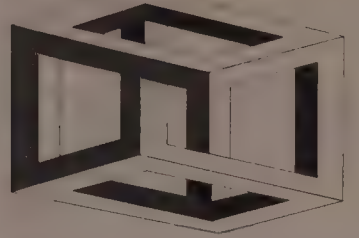
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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Poetry Page



CONVERSATIONS

by eppie

ESCAPE FROM SOCIAL IMPURITY
-by teddy b.

Four years ago,
on a whim,
I slipped on the cloak
of a pseudonym
Designed to protect
my true identity
from the fallout of
my frightful poetry.

At lunch, between classes
boredom forced me to
pushup my glasses
and dive right into the
emotion of the moment
releasing pent-up
spiritual torment.

From my unfortunate pen
flowed unscannable lines,
tired old metaphors,
horrible internal rhymes,
misplaced punctuation,
it was all included-
about my work's quality
I was never diluted

A kind critic once told me
"please, stick to prose"
Guess I'm William Carlos
Williams
dressed in pantyhose,
so this is my swan song,
my thanks to the voice,
For printing my poetry
when it wasn't very choice.

by
Frieda Schreiber-Sch
Class of '90

Everyday
I try to find a way to kiss you
but then the moment's gone and you
got away again

One day
I'll get around the wall between us
and you may realize I'm more than
just a friend

Would it be in the rain
that pours down the wall
you've built around yourself

Could it be in the rain
under clouded sky
I'll pretend I'm someone else

'Til the day
when I have met your expectations
you might discover isolation
ain't the way

hi hoe silo
(a fully matriculated poem)
by KATHLEEN M BETTLEHAN

Drive through downtown
Uniontown
we're feeling pretty swell.
Hear the tintinabulation
of the TacoBell.
Endure the oxyless-ons,
the politics of Yeats.
Piss-off Disertion Man,
he's just the type we hate.

There ain't no Hershey capital
highway
in this Hyudai that we share.
Hurry, roll your window
down,
there's some water over there.

Innocent of common morality,
Society's edge seeks to behead,
Already lame,
Blades ringing cries for riddance.
Already freed,
A new road I'll seek to tread,
I won't leave this world,
It will leave me instead.

Give me disease before death,
I've got a grip better than the rest,
Civilized torture known to all,
Better know those that recieve,
Than a god who can conceive it.

The stars teach a panorama
Life is larger,
Travel longer
Feet longing for leather,
the view much stronger.
Preoccupied demons
sneak past on paved civilization
For now is gracious abandonment,
come fall is organized terror.
Sadly the scenery changes,
gladly the attitude is forever.

As Poetry Editor for the Student Voice, I'd like to welcome all new and returning students to WSC! If any are interested in seeing their poetry published in the Voice, I welcome submissions of various styles and lengths for our poetry page. Works may be submitted anonymously or using a pseudonym, but I highly encourage use of your own name. Please bring your work by the Student Voice office, 3rd floor of the Student Center. Deadlines are on Thursdays for the following week's issue.

2nd Issue of Voice Hits Stands, Hundreds Ecstatic



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Do You Have an Excedrin Headache???

EDITORIAL PAGE

The Soapbox

by Dave Spencer
Editor-in-Chief

What will you tell your children, about your years in college?

When I first came to school here, in the fall of 1993, I wasn't really sure what to expect. I had arranged my schedule so that I could have about an hour a day to study or do homework while on campus (this wouldn't last long).

I first joined the Voice so that I could use its computer equipment to type my papers. My first piece was published on October 13 of that year. The Editorship then was divided between Bob Gurry and Joan Duggan.

My early work was divided between book reviews and The Comic Strip, the column about comic books that I still write to this day. My first semester with the voice went by quickly. Most of my effort for the Voice went into my column.

During my second semester here, we got a new Editor-in-Chief. Bob remained, but John "Mac" MacDonald became Co-Editor. Mac is my second favorite boss man of all time.

I kept writing The Comic Strip, and added computer software reviews to my list of my jobs. At the end of this semester came my first experience with satire. The Student Vice, a parody issue, featured several pieces by myself, including one entitled "Hundreds Pass Out as Clinton Passes Gas."

I returned to school the following

year. Mac had graduated the previous semester, and was replaced by Mike Smart. During this semester, I added sports to my repertoire. Towards the end of this semester, Bob lost interest, and Mike took over completely.

I will say that Mike was dedicated. He was dedicated to making the paper look good on his resume. More than half the staff quit under him. He turned the paper from being student written, to being a College Press newspaper.

Fall of 1995 offered relief from the tyrannical rule of "King" Smart. Replacing him were Eric Johnson, who had actually been elected to office in spring 1995, and Dave Maynard.

Dave is my favorite Editor-in-Chief of all time. This is because they let me write whatever I pleased. They trusted that I would not go too far, and get the Voice into a libel suit. And so, I began to write more and more, and never got the Voice into trouble, unlike other staff reporters.

Under these two, the paper returned to being "home grown," as Dave often called it. Unfortunately, backstabbing was at an all time high.

I this semester, I was given for the first time, the authority, as I previously mentioned, to write and lay out my column as I saw fit. I was in Heaven. I could do pretty much whatever I wanted. I chose what pictures would run with my work, if any.

Also, for this semester I was the Arts and Entertainment and Poetry Editor. Two things I did here were The Couch

Potato, a television review column, and the return of the poetry cow (invented by a previous Poetry editor, but named by me), Sam Adams.

I eventually decided to step down from the dual editorship and on November 8, 1995, Sam Adams was promoted to Comic Book Cow. Dave Maynard, sadly (for me anyway), decided to step down after this semester.

Carolyn Given and Jeff Gonyea took over the Voice in December. I can't say that I hated Jeff, but I never really liked him. I didn't mind Carolyn so much until she became Editor-in-Chief. She always had to be right, and refused to accept the correct spelling of bulimia.

The first paper of the spring 1996 semester (January 24, 1996) featured the first 2 page long Comic Strip, and the debut of Sam's cousin, Michael Shea.

February 14 brought the first (and only) edition of the Student Mute. The Student Mute was the underground newspaper. Not that I had anything to

do with it, but I loved the poetry sniper, which was a Sam Adams cow head in a gun sight.

There was much infighting during this semester, but I would like to think that we've outgrown that. I was elected Editor-in-Chief in the beginning of May, though I did not find out officially until mid-June.

What will your memories of college be like? What will you tell your children you miss most about what could be the most important years of your life, when it is their turn to go? Will you tell them about how you studied for an exam, or worked all night to afford it? Probably not. You will want to tell them about the exciting times, the fun times. The most fun time to be had on-campus is in joining a student organization.

What will you tell your children?

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FREE INTERNET EMAIL HELPS PARENTS CONNECT WITH COLLEGE STUDENTS

Cambridge, MA.—When college students go back to school this month, many parents will look for ways to keep in contact long distance. Using Freemark Mail, they can now communicate free of charge via Internet electronic mail (email). Most college students are assigned Internet email accounts at their college or university. Parents can now get their own free personal Freemark email accounts, enabling them to send email to their children without sorting through confusing Internet technology or paying expensive online charges. Messages can be sent to and received from any computer connected to the Internet, making Freemark mail fully compatible with university email systems. And because email is delivered in seconds and can be accessed at any time, messages can be sent and read at each user's convenience. No in-depth knowledge of electric mail, online services or computer commands is needed for Freemark's easy service. With Freemark's point-and-click commands, parents simply press a button to access their electronic "mailboxes," where mail messages are delivered in digital "envelopes." "With our uncomplicated email service, even parents without extensive computer knowledge can connect with their college-aged children using a medium that students


are learning at school," says Freemark COO Dorothy Woglom. "And because it costs nothing to send an email message with Freemark, it's easy to say 'I miss you' or wish a student good luck on a big exam without racking up expensive online service fees or postage or phone charges." There are no subscription, connection or usage fees with Freemark, nor is there any limit to the number of personal messages a member can send or receive. Freemark Mail, like radio and television, is provided at no cost to the user because it is advertiser supported. National and local brands advertisers sponsor, or "stamp" each personal mail delivery with advertisements, special offers and coupons selected to be of individual interest to each user. Members may request more information or respond to offers for a variety of products and services, from home entertainment to food to automotive services, at their own discretion. Freemark maintains a strict consumer privacy policy that eliminates electronic junk mail. the company guarantees that consumers' identities will never be revealed to advertisers unless they themselves choose to do so and that no advertiser or Freemark employee will have access to a member's private mail messages. The Freemark software can be used to cre-

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FOR AUDITION APOINTMENT CONTACT PROF. ANN MARIE SHEA, ROOM A311, X-8538

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CAMPUS NEWS

Elevators On Campus Making People Nervous

By Christopher M. Smith
Voice Staff

Perhaps you have stepped into an elevator on campus lately and your eyes were drawn from the lit numbers above the door to something a little less benign. I'm talking about bright orange cards put up by the Department of Public Safety-Elevator Division that read "REQUIRED MAINTENANCE PENDING." The date on the cards is June 4, 1996 and the safety inspection status expired thirty days after that. So one might see those little orange cards and suddenly find motivation to take the stairs. However, there are those who are unable to

take the stairs (the original reason for the elevators being installed) and they have no choice but to hope for the best.

I'm sorry to disappoint you but this story is not a potshot at the administration or anyone else. This is actually a brief and boring story about elevators. Nevertheless, these words will hopefully put your minds at rest the next time you get into an elevator on campus. I spoke with the Dean of Administration, Dr. Angelo Scola who is acting in lieu of a Dean of Facility as well as his other duties. Part of those other duties is Plant Manager for Worcester State Col-

lege. He explained to me that the reason for the orange cards is not because the elevators are unsafe but because phones were being put in. That's right folks, there is no bad guy here just due process. The ADA has been doing an upgrade of the elevators by installing phones in the elevators that connect directly to campus security. These are not "phones" per se, but buttons that serve to ensure the safety of the occupants. An inspector is scheduled to come by and certify the phones and the elevators as safe within the month. The Administration is waiting for them to arrive with great ear-

nest so that people will not have to worry about riding in the elevators. Dr. Scola stated that in actuality the elevators themselves are perfectly safe to ride and the mechanical parts have been checked and all is well. I believe him and I hope you do too. It is very simple. If the elevators were not safe to ride then they would be shut down and fixed. The administration has put wheelchair ramps in the Auditorium, a wheelchair lift in the gym and they are always making sure they are on top of the status of the elevators. So, ride safe and ride happy my friends!

Hepatitis B Vaccination

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There are many viruses out there waiting to get you! But you are in luck! There is a vaccine available to help protect you from one of the most contagious-Hepatitis B Virus (HBV).

The Hepatitis B Virus is highly contagious and can lead to serious-even fatal health complications. Out of every 1000 people directly exposed to HBV, 333 will become infected. But, only 4 out of every 1000 people exposed directly to human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) will become infected. In the United States, 5000 deaths are attributed to Hepatitis B and its complications annually.

Indications for Hepatitis B Vaccine now

include all adolescents and young adults not previously vaccinated as well as the sexually active persons.

Hepatitis B Vaccines currently available are made from Hepatitis B surface antigen produced by recombinant DNA technology in yeast cells and contain no blood products. Therefore the current vaccine can not transmit AIDS or any other infectious disease.

The vaccine produces protective antibody levels in more than 90% of healthy individuals when the three dose regimen is used. The need for a booster shot within 10 years is still being assessed.

The dosage schedule is:

Dose one: on request.

Dose two: one month after first dose.

Dose three: 4-6 months after second dose. If a dose is not completed on time it is not necessary to start over-it is only necessary to receive the remaining dose(s).

Hepatitis B vaccines are generally well tolerated. About 10-15% of recipients report soreness at the injection site. Rarely, immediate or delayed hypersensitivity (allergic reactions) have been reported. In general virus vaccines are not given to pregnant women unless specifically indicated. However, studies indicate that the vaccine is safe in pregnancy.

Worcester State College offers Hepatitis

B Vaccine to any enrolled student at wholesale price. Students may purchase the complete series (3 dose vial) for \$110. If the student leaves the campus before completion of the series, he will be given the vial with the remaining doses to be given by his primary care provider. If you have already started the vaccine series you may purchase single doses at \$37.00 per dose. Payment is made to the Business Office before the vaccine is administered.

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**The next meeting is on September 12, at 11:00 am! Please stop by if you are around!



CAMPUS NEWS

Beta Beta Beta's 20th annual initiation banquet takes place at WSC

The Chi Iota Chapter of Beta Beta Beta Biological Society held its 20th annual initiation and awards banquet on 18 April in the Blue Lounge of the Student Center. Outgoing officers FY 1995-96 Kerri Melcher-President, Susana Goncalves-Serc., Mike Maloney-Historian. The Chapter's Outstanding Senior Award went to William P. Millett. In addition to earning high distinction academically, Bill had held office and was an outstanding Supporter of chapter activities. New members initiated into Beta Beta Beta were Liam P. Edmunds, Martin R. Hanus, Sarah D. Kupfer, Gary Larson, Jesse McKinnon, Michael J. Richard, Lori J. Antos, And David L. Bolduc. An honorary membership was presented to the featured speaker for the evening, Dr. Anders G.J. Rhodin, of Lunenburg. Dr. Rhodin's lecture was titled "Salute the Turtle, Thrusting On." At the close of the evening Society honors cords were made available to all graduating seniors.



Beta Beta Beta Biological Society honorees (initiates) 18 April 1996. Left to right: Dr. Andres Rhodin, Gary Larson, Sarah Kupfer, David Bolduc, Martin Hanus, Lori Antos, Liam Edmunds, and Jesse McKinnon. Hidden in the rear at the center behind David Bulduc is Michael Richards.



- SEPTEMBER 12
Campus Ambassadors Spaghetti Dinner-
5:30pm-Campus Ministry House
- SEPTEMBER 14
Rosh Hashanah
- SEPTEMBER 18
Campus Ministry Pasta Supper-6 pm- at
Campus Ministry House
- SEPTEMBER 19-21--FALL
WEEKEND
- THURSDAY 19
SEC Movie: "Mission Impossible"
- FRIDAY 20
Comedy/Talent Show
- SATURDAY 21
Trip to King Richard's Fair
- SEPTEMBER 23
Yom Kippur
Smoking workshop--7-8:30

“WAR ON THE WOOD!”

CITY INTRMURAL HOOP CROWNS DECIDED IN “WAR ON THE WOOD!”

The intermural basketball championship of the city is at stake in the “War on the Wood”, the Worcester Colleges Intramural Basketball Challenge to be held Friday, Saturday and Sunday, September 27, 28 & 29 at the Plourde Recreation Center at Assumption College.

The single elimination tournament will feature mens and womens intramural basketball teams from Assumption, Holy Cross, Worcester State, Clark, Anna Maria, Becker,

Quinsigamond, Nichols and W.P.I. all going for the title of best team in the city.

The tournament is open to full time students at the participating schools who did not play varsity college basketball this past year.

The tournament is sponsored by the Recreational Sports Office at Assumption College, Kangaroo Crossing, as well as the alcohol and drug awareness grant Challenge For Change.

The winning teams in each division receive “War on the Wood” championship t-shirts as well as bragging rights as the best intramural teams in the city.

The deadline to register is Thursday, September 19 and registration forms are available from the intramural office at each school or by contacting the Recreational Sports Office at Assumption College at 767-7072.

W.S.C. – CAMPUS POLICE DEPARTMENT Crime Statistical Report, By Calendar Year¹

Reported Crimes:	CY 92	CY 93	CY 94	CY 95
Murder	0	0	0	0
Forcible Sex Offenses ²	0	0	0	1
Non-Forcible Sex Offenses	0	0	0	0
Robbery	0	0	0	0
Aggravated Assault	2	0	4	5
Burglary	7	5	3	12
Larceny	25	27	26	22
Motor Vehicle Theft	1	3	0	1
Arson	0	0	0	0
Totals	35	35	33	41
Liquor Law Arrests	0	0	0	0
Drug Arrests	0	0	0	1
Weapons Arrests	0	0	0	0

Newly enacted Federal Legislation requires the following changes in the method of reporting crime statistics; effective immediately.

1. All crime statistics shall be reported by calendar year, beginning with calendar year 1990, if data is available.
2. On August 1, 1992 reporting the crime of Rape shall be included in a broader definition of sexual assault under two separate categories, Forcible Sex Offenses and Non-Forcible Sex Offenses.

Biographies

It seems that for this semester, there are quite a few new professors around campus. Because of this, we've decided to add this Biography page, in order to help you get to know something about the new faculty.

Dorothy Escribano, Ph.D.

Dr. Escribano begins this semester as a full-time Assistant Professor of Spanish in the English and Literature Department. She received her Bachelor of Arts in Spanish at Marist College in New York and her Master of Education at the State University of New York in Stony Brook. She also received her Master of Arts in Spanish at the University of Rhode Island and then went on to earn her Ph.D. in Hispanic Studies from Brown University. From 1992 to 1995 Dr. Escribano was a Lecturer in Spanish at the University of Rhode Island. From 1995 to 1996 she was a Visiting Assisting Professor in Spanish at Clark University.

Dr. Escribano is offering courses in Spanish as a language, Civilization for students who have completed their requirements for Spanish and an Ad-

vanced Composition course in Spanish Literature. Dr. Escribano is excited, enthusiastic and optimistic about helping her students explore their world through Spanish, not only as a language but as a culture as well. Dr. Escribano is passionate about potential for learning that can be obtained with hard work and an open mind. She is hopeful that her students will embrace the Spanish classes not just for practical or utilitarian purposes, but because of an increased interest in the culture. Dr. Escribano emphasized that in addition to the obvious benefits of studying Spanish there is also a lot of fun to be had in the process. She is also very pleased to be working with her colleagues Professor Juan Orbe and Professor Judy Jeon-Chapman as well as the rest of the English Department.

Carlos Fontes, Ph.D.

Professor Fontes is a Professor of Communications. He was born in the late 1950's in Portugal. After receiving his Bachelor's Degree in Journalism from the University of Lisbon, He moved to the United States. He was 22 at the time.

After coming to the United States, He attended the University of Massachusetts, where he received his Master's Degree and Ph.D. in Communications.

Professor Fontes is now a naturalized Citizen, and has three children. He has two daughters, and one son, who was born just last week.

Caryn Cosse Bell, Ph.D.

Professor Bell is a professor of History, with a concentration on the Civil War and Reconstruction periods. She was born in New Orleans, LA in the late 1940's. She received her Bachelor's and Master's degrees from the University of New Orleans, then attended Tulane where she received her Doctorate.

She has taught previously. She taught at both the University of New Orleans and Tulane, as well as a stint at Harvard last semester.

Professor Bell has a book being published, which should be available in November. The book, *Revolution, Romanticism, and the Afro-Creole Protest Tradition: 1718-1868*, is being published by Louisiana State University.

Juan Orbe, Ph.D.

Dr. Orbe begins as a new full-time faculty member in the English and Literature Department this semester. His wife, Guillermina Orbe, teaches Spanish at Assumption College. Dr. Orbe began his academic career in Argentina and taught English Literature there beginning in the early 1970's. The civil war that transpired in his country caused Dr. Orbe to travel abroad to Europe and then to the United States.

Dr. Orbe received his Master of Arts in English and his Ph.D. in Spanish from Michigan State University where he later became a Fulbright Fellow in Comparative Literature. His teaching credentials include: Washington University in St. Louis, Dickinson College in Pennsylvania and Wake Forest College in North Carolina. Dr. Orbe now offers classes in

Latin American Studies and Spanish here at Worcester State College.

Dr. Orbe's interests include comparative cultures, The Americas and Spanish for the professionals. His teaching concentrations are languages, literature and civilization. Dr. Orbe has also written a book on Jorge Luis Borges entitled *Borges Abajo*. He has also edited two books on *Autobiography in the Americas*. "I am strongly committed to Hispanic Studies, offering services to the community and supporting projects on multi-culturalism and mass media," says Orbe. He also adds "I am interested in putting my experience(overseas and in this country) to strengthen the relations between academia and the community, and also to strengthen programs for women and minorities."

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By C.S. *The continued adventures of Cabin Golsteward*

September 4th... Classes End! Start today - after parties, meals - at idle time. I feel I'm suddenly ready for college.

To engage triumphantly in any situation, one must have the ability to master the mind...

...Recklessly do most people assimilate themselves with the simple; the humble their way through life going through the motions - never questioning themselves, my true intent.

I myself have broken those ways and am now tough at the point as I employ my future with rule and purpose.

As of trying to discourage myself upon entering my first class, I battle to understand how perception and reality are alike.

And how sometimes, no matter how right you are, the world is still a toilet.

Colloquially speaking, I have into my studies, with the aid of a date of an otherwise calm of understanding how mortals ever see again.

All prepares but an excess, I have believed what I have learned in terms of past failure; now knowing only thoughts of victory.

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Arts & Entertainment

The Comic Strip

POETRY

by Dave Spencer

Who almost fought the Dragon of Angnor, who nearly stood up to the vicious Chicken of Bristol, and who personally wet himself at the Battle of Baden Hill

First on the news front is a sad bit of news for fans of Marvel Comics. Long time Marvel Staffer Mark Gruenwald passed away on August 12 of a heart attack. He was 43.

Kevin Eastman bought, and then Donated the original movie Batmobile to the Words and Pictures Museum in Northampton, MA. The museum can be contacted at (413) 586-8545.

Books of Magic #30

Essential Vertigo: The Sandman #4

House of Secrets #2

THE BACK ISSUE BIN

Kingdom Come #1-4

Publisher: DC Comics

Writer: Mark Waid

Art: Alex Ross

Wizard Guide Value: \$4.95 each

As if you couldn't tell or didn't know, Kingdom Come is about Armageddon as shown in the Biblical book of Revelation, and is set 20 years in the future.

OUT THIS WEEK:

Dark Horse Comics

Dark Horse Presents #113
G.I. Joe #4

Ghost #18
Gunsmith
Cats: The Return of Gray #2

Insider #10
Predator: Dark River #3
Tongue*Lash #2
Star Wars: X-Wing Rogue Squadron-Battleground Tatooine #4

DC Comics

Adventures of Superman #540
Animaniacs #19
Azrael #23
Batman #536
Batman: GCPD #4
The Final Night #2
Green Arrow #114
Impulse #19
Justice League: A Midsummer's Nightmare #3
Legionnaires #42
New Gods #12
Supergirl #3
Superman: The Man of Steel Annual #5
Tempest #1

Helix

The Black Lamb #1
Bloody Mary #2

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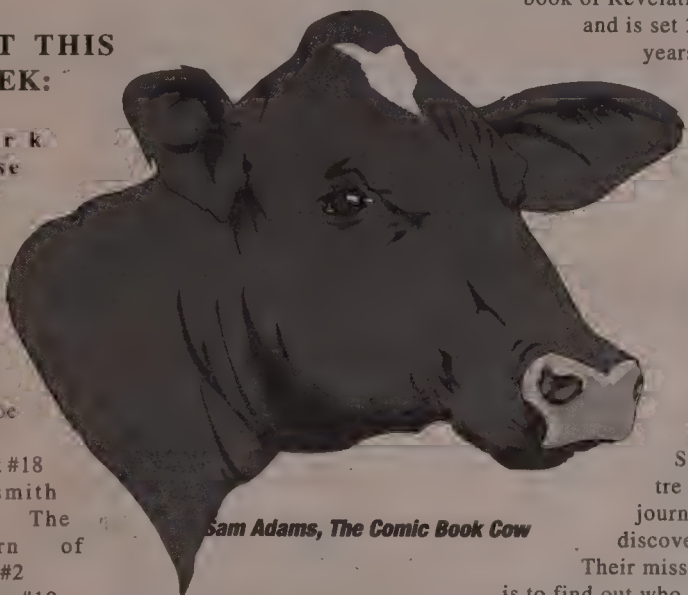
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Sam Adams, The Comic Book Cow

Their mission is to find out who is responsible for Armageddon, so that the Spectre may judge them. Through their eyes, we see how our heroes have changed, and what new heroes have emerged. We see an apathetic Superman, who lives a life as a hermit farmer. We see a Dark Knight with a broken back, but still fights crime with technology. We see the Mightiest Mortal in the thrall of Lex Luthor. All of the current heroes have either quit, or died, though a few are still active in quit ways. This mini-series will soon be re-released in a collected format.

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Widow Maker

by Christopher M. Smith

The men are awake before the sun rises
and away they march to the mines
Such a big graveyard
for such a little town
A place called silverton, colorado
Single jack, double jack go!
Men drilling, coughing, sweating and dying
A vein of quartz twenty-six feet wide
and 3200 feet long
The foreman yells
"Three ounces of gold per ton!"
Is it all worth while?
Families waiting and worrying at home
They begin using the dreaded drills...
...The Widow Makers.
The deafening screech of these monsters
Echoes through the tunnels
The deadly dust fills their lungs
Hoping to strike it rich...strike it rich!
Most just made enough to get by
Freezing cold, darkness and hard labor
Day in and day out and through the night
Frustration and a handful of pyrite
Only a few men made it and many died trying
When all was said and done...
The Widow maker had taken its toll
The years gone by...gone by
A dying miner lay in his bed
His wife and children by his side
Silicosis claims another victim
As he draws his last breath he clutches
a nugget of gold he had found years before
A tear rolls down his face
as his hand goes limp
at it falls to the floor...

Finding A Path To A Future

As I wander through my life
I wonder about everything in sight
"What if this," and "What if that,"
are the constant feelings that I fight.
If I'd done things differently
would I be on a different flight.

Senseless thoughts of what could've been,
flew endlessly through my mind
My imagination is so powerful
its making me go blind.
If only I'd look ahead instead of back,
the right path would be so easy to find.
by kerry alsen

mourning/
by soapy tidewater
Wip-
ing dust
Break-
ing crust
Think-
ing rust
Dream-
ing must
I awake.

A LITTLE NOTHING

What kind of picture is this?
Not grey, but the color's not there either.
I killed that cheery rabbit with my own
teeth

You had nothing to do with it...
...you had nothing...
...nothing

It's kind of green outside
Its got a little warm beam
But the sun's kind of low
The wind's a mean look
I think it's gonna snow a little...
...snow a little...
...little

by Soapy Tidewater

SPORTS

TRADES AND DEFLECTIONS

A BETTOR'S GUIDE TO NFL FOOTBALL

by Marcy Lambiras
NFL Analyst

You can't rely on last year's records. You can't even go by last week's games. San Diego played in a Super Bowl. The Bears crushed the Cowboys last week. Welcome to the land of free agency. A land where anything can happen. When free agency first hit the market, Houston was 12-4. Their empire fell to a disgraceful 2-14 the following season.

This strange free agency phenomenon continues to affect the game. This year's season opened with many upsets. Kansas City, everyone's favorite Superbowl contender, could barely hold their own against Houston. Pittsburgh made it to the Superbowl last year, but took a pounding from Jacksonville last week. Atlanta scrambled in Carolina.

These are rough times for teams. And equally rough times for fans - especially rough for those who are putting money up.

THE LOVE AFFAIR

The days of betting on your favorite team are over. A love affair with the New England Patriots will burn a hole in your pocket the size of Foxboro stadium.

To survive you must think with your head, not your heart. Know when to end a love affair, or it can take you down the road to ruin. Pittsburgh dominated the 70's. Denver was good in the 80's. But its over. Move on. Take off the rose-colored glasses before calling your bookie.

Just because you live in New England doesn't mean you have to put your dollars on the Pats.

The lingering love-affair, a classic mistake, made by even the most hard-core gamblers. Breaking up is hard to do, but if you learn to look at the games objectively, free agency can work with you.

Forget the teams you grew up with. Welcome to the 90's. Welcome to the land of free agency. If you don't know what's going on in the NFL, your going to get burned.

THE TEAMS

Dolphins - A new coach, a new stadium, 23 new players, and a new strategy: The running game. Rookie RB Karim Abdul-Jabbar rushed for 115 yards in the season opener. Jimmy Johnson always did have an eye for talent.

Bills - LB Cornelius Bennett is sporting a Falcons jersey this season. Sack leader Bryce Paup (17 last season) returns along with vets Jim Kelly, Thurman Thomas and Bruce Smith. The Bills look good on both

Jones isn't afraid to spend money.

In Dallas, money really does buy happiness. But some things don't have price tags. The Michael Irvin situation can't be helped. Jay Novachek is out with injuries. Emmitt Smith took a nose dive in game one, but continues to play with a bruised neck and back. If something should happen to him, the Cowboys don't have a prayer.

Panthers - Best overall record for an expansion team. At 7-9, Carolina had a better finish than the Skins, Browns, Pats, Jets, Seahawks, Cards, and Giants.

Patriots - Parcels was looking to sign a defensive player in the draft. He had his eye on the #7 pick, but Kraft & co. snagged WR Terry Glenn on the sly. How did Glenn do in training camp Parcels? "She's doing fine" was the answer. Then he shortened his contract.

Giants - They've lost most of their offensive line, so basically they'll be relying on Dave "interception" Brown. Not a real sign of relief, there.

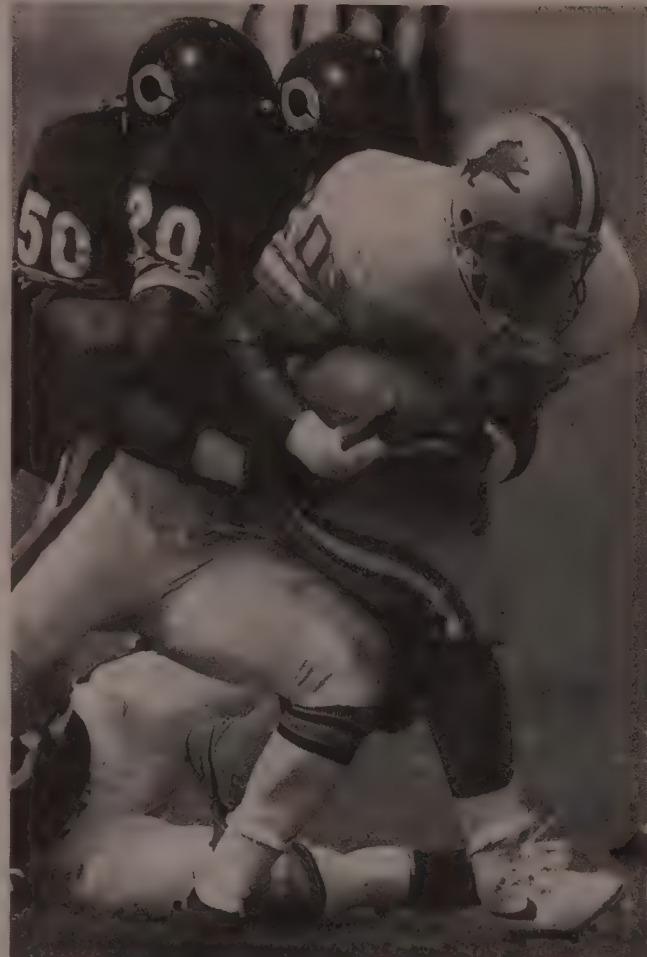
Da Bears - LB Bryan Cox beefs up a defense that was successful in holding the Cowboys to 6 points in the opener.

Lions - If Wayne Fontes can't lead his team to the playoffs, then he can kiss his job goodbye. But the team doesn't look too bad this year.

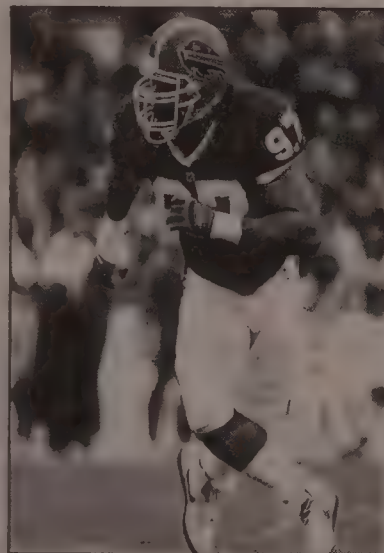
Barry Sanders has the ground game covered. QB Scott Mitchell (4,338 yds, 32 TDs last season) teams with WRs Brett Perriman and Herman Moore on the deep threat. (They combined for 231 receptions and 3,174 yds last season). Special teams? Got that covered too. Jason Hanson led the NFC last season with 28 field goals and 48 extra points. The defense however, is questionable.

Jets - You must be kidding me! Neil O'Donnell is playing for the Jets this year. **Cards** - Boomer Esiason moves to Arizona. Mean Joe Greene comes to the rescue as defensive line coach.

Bengals - Cincinnati pulled themselves out of the cellar last season, going 7-9. Ki-Jana Carter is Dave Shula's Olympic hopeful, but one lil' ol' running back can't carry a team.



Detroit has the ground game and air patrol covered. Bryan Cox beefs up a Chicago defense.



Cornelius Bennett moves to Arizona

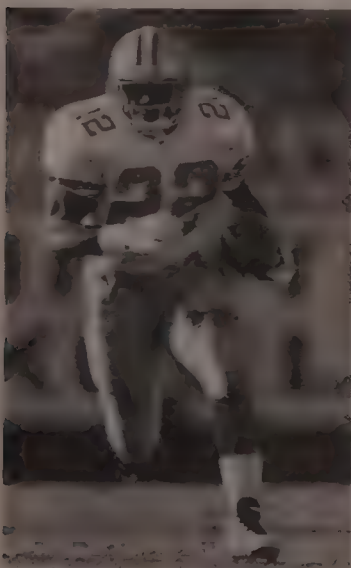
Especially with their defensive situation. **Eagles** - Randall Cunningham finally got the boot. When the Rams didn't want him, he retired.

Chiefs - Kansas City is a critic's dream, picked by Sterling Sharpe, Joe Theisman, Ron Jaworski, Mike Tirico, and local Dick Cerasuolo to play in the Superbowl.

Steelers - A shot at the Superbowl again this year? Doubtful. Too many new faces in this camp. Pittsburg might as well be an expansion team. The only player they did keep, Greg Lloyd, injured himself in game one. He'll be out for the season.

Ravens - What kind of world do we live in...

Bucs - Did Tampa Bay ever really have a team? Not really. And if they don't fix that decrepit stadium, the Bucs are gonna pull a Browns.



Emmitt: The boys in Big D can't win without him

sides of the ball.

Packers - Favre is back, along with his receiving corps, but what about the running game? An air attack is good, but defense and a running game are needed in playoff situations. The Pack must overcome San Fran and Dallas to make it to another Superbowl. **49ers** - The Mafia has it's Godfather. The Niners have Bill Walsh.

Dallas - How do they do it? Offense AND Defense. A rare animal in the NFL these days. And a hefty bank account always helps. When it comes right down to it, Jerry

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PARODY PAGE

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Mysterious Unaplumber Strikes Again

By Stu Louis
Voice Staff

The shadowy figure called "The Unaplumber" by police, FBI, and Plumbers Union officials, has struck again according to an unnamed source. The Worcester Ice Cats were the latest target for this madman's wrath. "He shut down all the toilets just before the game began" said this person. "Think about it, all those fans drinking all that...well, you get the idea. Disaster came. The toilets wouldn't work leaving a tired cleaning crew to handle the mess. The Worcester Telegram & Gazette received a letter from an entity calling himself "VD" recently demanding that some media source, be it TV or newspaper print his Manifesto. All reputable sources have denied this request.

As you may know, the Unaplumber emerged about two years ago after the mass acre sale in Leicester, MA. He began by sabotaging the so-called "Portoilets," by making them stink real, real, bad. When the Telegram & Gazette refused to print his

Manifesto, he was greatly angered, and so began his spree of connecting gas pipes to faucets, and water pipes to ovens.

He has done this to several prominent locals, including the Chief of Police, The Centrum, and the Mayor, twice. The Mayor called in the FBI to capture the Unaplumber, but so far, to no avail.



Photographer's model's rendition of the Unaplumber

PHOTO BY "PIC" YERNOSE

President Clinton To Step Down!

by Jack Meoff
Dole Campaign Staff

William (Bill) Clinton, in a historic move, today vowed to step down from the presidency at 11:59 am, on January 20, 1997, provided he lost the presidential election to Former senator, and current antique Robert Dole. Clinton claimed that if midget businessman from Texas H. Ross Perot won, he would be forced to declare marshal law, as that would be the seventh sign that the apocalypse is nigh.

Clinton went on to babble about how he planned, if he won the election, to increase spending on education (of chimps), health care (for the unemployed, the money for which would come from the elderly), and also abolish all taxes. The money for gov-

ernment would come from a 99% pay cut from all federal workers except the president. Clinton also said that he would end all forms of war, and begin colonization on the moon, starting a week from next Wednesday.

After all these claims, Clinton began to remove his normal business suit, and put on his ballerina get-up, and began to prance about the room like a little girl. The President was escorted from the room by 4 men wearing white jumpsuits, who had put a white jacket over the president, though no one could figure out what the straps were for. These men claimed that Clinton was exhausted from a long day of work, and would return to his duties the following afternoon.

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EDITORIAL PAGE

The Soap Box

I received a phone call last Saturday at about 8:30 PM. This in itself is not unusual. The phone call was from a man I've never before met. He also chose not to identify himself. The reason for his call, he claimed, was that I was "hitting" on his girlfriend. This is especially interesting as I haven't intentionally tried to pick up a girl in quite a while. His exact words were, and I actually paraphrase when I say this, that I shouldn't "make small talk" with a girl until I find out whether or not she has a boyfriend. Tell me then, dear readers, if you can't talk to a girl/woman until you find out if she has a boyfriend, how are you supposed to find out this information? Are we now supposed to be psychic? Am I the only one to realize the paradox in this belief? If these are the new rules, then humanity will soon be extinct.

The second thing about this conversation that struck me was his use of the term "Politically Correct." More specifically, his exact quote was that "these are re Politically Correct times," so I shouldn't do the proscribed thing. However, under the PC system, women cannot be treated as an extension of a "boyfriend," but, as evidenced above, this is how he apparently viewed the girl in question (from this point on referred to as Ms. X). While I don't agree with Political Correctness in general, one point that I do agree with is that women should be treated like everyone else, but also that they should speak for themselves.

Now, there are several possible explanations for this phone call. 1. This was a prank call. 2. The girl asked him to make the call. 3. Ms. X was just bitching to her boyfriend, who thought that this was

the best way to handle the situation. No matter what the reason, there is no excuse for something like this. As Ziad would be able to tell you, I was fairly steamed after this phone call. I estimated my blood pressure at about 180, up from my normal 120.

After I calmed down, I was able to think about this call at least somewhat objectively. From this point on, my mission is to find out who Ms. X is, and what it was that I did that she took as my "hitting" on her. I already have some leads. Fact 1. Both of the phone lines at my house are unlisted. Fact 2. Neither of these phone lines are in my name. These facts mean that they had to get my number from someone. Fact 3. The line he called on has only been installed for about 6 weeks. Fact 4. This number is only listed in three places that can be accessed by anyone. These places are at my 2 workplaces and here, at the office of the Student Voice. I discounted my main workplace, because there are no females close to my age there. At my second workplace there is one female, but she's a couple of years older than me, so while a relationship is not out of the question, it is highly unlikely. That leaves the Voice office. The staff list has 11 females on it. Of these 11, 5 I have talked to only once, and these conversations were over the phone for story assignments. Of the remaining 6, most know, or could tell when I was hitting on them. I end up with a list of 2-3 girls who may be Ms. X. This list is not definite, but it is a start, and I will do what I can to find out who she is.

David Spencer
Editor-in-Chief

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Political Stuff

WELD, KERRY VIE FOR SENATE SEAT IN DEBATE SHOWDOWN

by Teresa M. Iaconi
Resident Election Enthusiast

In a heated debate broadcast live from Worcester's own Mechanics Hall, Senator John Kerry and his challenger, Governor William Weld, went head-to-head in what has been called the most intense debate yet. Healthcare, welfare reform, tax cuts, and sentencing for criminals were perhaps the most talked-about (or argued-over) issues of the evening; however, the debate seemed to lack real illumination for the audience, focusing on cheap shots and personal attacks rather than dealing with the substantive issues at stake. The com-

petitive climate was established well before the debate began, with supporters (and protesters) from both camps lining the sides of Main Street. Supporters from the Kerry Committee seemed to have found their niche, as they outnumbered Weld supporters by at least two hundred, and even with graphic displays from anti-abortion protesters, the conservative side of the street seemed to lack the vocal support that the Kerry campaign kept up throughout the evening. However, in the debate itself, it seemed that Weld garnered just that much more support from the audience, winning applause even though the audience was asked prior to the

debate not to applaud for either candidate. Both seemed intent on hammering one another's records in office; Kerry repeatedly attacked Weld for neglecting children and mothers, while Weld accused Kerry of going soft on criminals and welfare recipients. The climate in the hall could certainly have been characterized as aggressive, and, at times, vicious; each candidate seemed to be vying not only for a senate seat but

also for the "cheap shot of the evening" award; Kerry, at one point, accused the governor of "switching positions more than your friend Dick Morris," clearly a blatant sexual reference. Overall, the debate seemed more like a mudfight than a debate between two potential U.S. senators, but nonetheless was captivating and was a wonderful testament to both candidates' public speaking skills.

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MARK P. BILOTTA

Mr. Bilotta is the Associate Director of Admissions for Enrollment and Marketing. He has lived in Worcester for over 20 years and began here in May. Mr. Bilotta spent four years as director of Youth-Net (an organization for 11-15 year old inner city youth before going to Holy Cross in the capacity of Associate

Director of Admissions. He has a MBA in Marketing from Clark U. Mr. Bilotta would like Worcester State students to be aware that "85% of students chose WSC as their 1st or 2nd choice."

DR. MARTIN BARROLL

Dr. Barroll is a professor of Sociology here at WSC. He is from Roxbury and was only hired 3 weeks ago. A.B. in Sociology (minor in Psychology)

from Suffolk University in Boston M.S. in Sociology (minor in History) at Perdue University. Dr. Barroll also had a short stint at UMass Amherst where he studied Sociology and Anthropology. He has a P.H.D. from the New School For Social Research (NYC). He has been teaching for over 20 years under varied topics including Psychology, Sociology and History. Dr. Martin Barroll is "hoping to reconstruct "buddhist" psychotherapy and/or anthropology with the Mihindu Institute for Buddhist Research. Working with Bhante Madawala Punnaaji (director of M.I.B.R.), director of buddhist culture in Sri Lanka." Dr. Barroll would like any WSC students interested in this project to please speak with him.

Edward Meister

Edward Meister a full time Assistant Professor of Health Science begins teaching this semester at Worcester State College. Edward, a 47 year old native of St. Paul Minnesota, received his Bachelor of Science from The University of Wisconsin in Madison. Also receiving his Master of Arts in Philosophy and a Master of Science in Environmental Science both from Oregon State University in Corvallis, Oregon. He graduated from Oregon State University with a Doctorate in Science in June of 1996. While attending Oregon State he was a Teachers Assistant during his four years while attending courses for his doctorate degree. Professor Meister recently moved to Worcester September 2 and is looking to settle in the Worcester or Leicester area. During his first year he will be teaching the courses of Personal Health, Environmental Health, Human Disease and Epidemiology. Professor Meister chose Worcester State because he feels this is the best career opportunity for his field of Community Health.

Hiking is one of Professor

Meister's favorite hobbies. He said he likes to keep moving and hiking in the Canadian Rockies has been an annual trip for him the past few years. While traveling in Europe the experiencing of living in other cultures broadens and enriches your life style. These ideas he will take to the classroom to keep his courses fresh and up to date. He is rigorously keeping his courses current and brings a strong sense of optimism to his students. Professor Meister is a very down to earth and has interesting insights that he will share with his students.

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Joanne Gallagher

Joanne Gallagher, Instructor of Occupational Therapy started at Worcester State College as a visiting instructor in the fall of 1995 and starts this semester as a full time instructor. Joanne received her Bachelor of Science in Occupational Therapy from Quinnipiac College in Connecticut in 1986. She has a Master of Science in Occupational Therapy from Florida International College in Miami and graduated in 1990. She was the first to graduate as a full time student from Florida International's Masters Program in Occupational Therapy. She worked in Pittsburgh for three years as an Occupational Therapist in a burn unit and three years as Chief Rehab Therapist at Washington Hospital Center's burn unit in Washington D.C. Joanne then went back to Florida International and taught courses in Biomechanics, Kinesiology and Splinting. She returned back to Worcester where she grew up and along with teaching works per

diem with Fallon Clinic in their certified nursing home care program as an Occupational Therapist. She is also in an instructional program of E.d.D at Johnson and Wales in Providence, Rhode Island.

Joanne chose Worcester State because of the excellent program the school offers in Occupational Therapy and to get back to New England, Worcester and family. She will be teaching Health and Illness Physiology, Introduction to Occupational Therapy and Methods of Therapeutic Adaptations. Her goals towards her courses is to provide students with current examples and case studies. She will teach a wholeistic approach about the patient while emphasizing to the students that patients may be irritable while administering therapy and how to react to these problems. Joanne will bring a very positive attitude to her classrooms and is a great full time addition to the Occupational Therapy Department.

Lynn Bloomberg

Dr. Lynn Bloomberg of the Health Sciences Department is a really, really, really smart person. She has a BA in psychology from the University of Hawaii, an MED from the University of Texas at Austin, a Master in Public Health (her counseling degree) and Doctorate in Public Health from Berkely. In 1988 Dr. Bloomberg worked as a counselor at a hospital in San Francisco, where she lived before moving to Worcester. It doesn't snow in San Francisco, ever, so she has no idea what the winters are like around here (shudder).

Before teaching at Worcester State, Dr. Bloomberg taught graduate students at Berkely. "I am very excited and pleased to be here. This is why I went back to school, to teach."

One of Dr. Bloomberg's academic interests is in resilience, which is a new perspective on health. It focuses on what we can learn from people who stay healthy, so we can learn to help stop people from getting sick. She also has a burgeoning interest in photography, and when her camera is ready and the leaves start turning, it's open season on those trees.

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The Student Activities Fair

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SEC Presents A Semester Of Fun

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Voice Staff

The blossoming community of Worcester State College came alive in the Student Center at the Student Activities Fair. The Student Activities Department in conjunction with the Students Events Committee sponsored and coordinated the fair. The event took place on Wednesday the 11th from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Various organizations came together to provide information on what they were about and what they had to offer. Over the course of the four hours hundreds of people stopped by and toured this fruitful gathering of enthusiastic and motivated people. This fair has become a tradition here at WSC and this time around everyone who participated certainly kept the pace very well.

Among the various organizations there was a Caricaturist, Psychic Readings and cotton candy provided that was provided by the friendly representatives of the Students Events Committee. The Ski and Snowboard Club had a machine by their table that helped build strong leg muscles. They are looking to increase their active membership and for people to help out with the club. They provide discounts on trips for all of their members. During the Christmas break they will be going to Sunday River from January 5th through the 10th and there will be three day trips as well. The locations for these trips will be Killington, Stratton and Wild Cat and they will be happening from January to March '97. If you are interested you can contact Jim Cooper anytime at x. 8565. The Yearbook '96-'97 needs a lot of people to help out. Photographers, layout people, editors and other positions are available. If you are interested you can contact Melinda Wicks Doherty at x. 8078 or the co-editors Michelle and Jessica at x.8592. The WSC Crew Team is looking for men and women to join them for some team rowing on Lake Quinsigamond. If you are interested you can contact Jeff Alex at x.8566 or visit their office in the SC-314. They also have meetings every Wednesday at 7:00 PM in SC-202.



The view from the Voice's table shows a tired individual, and the Rugby club ready to grab the next person to walk by.

PHOTO BY DAVID SPENCER

Laurie Zylitz is in her first year here at WSC as a Communications major and she is also the General Manager for WSCW 640.1 AM. The range of the campus radio station is somewhat limited at this point but Laurie has plans to speak to the senate and attend the budget meeting to hopefully go to an FM position on the dial and increase the range. Laurie is looking for people to help out. "There is no experience necessary, the person doesn't need to be a Communications major and this is a station for everyone," says Laurie. WSCW meets at L112 at 3:35 PM on Tuesdays. If you are interested you may contact Laurie at 752-6924.

The WSC Chorale is looking for

male voices (tenor and base) and female voices (alto) for singing, fun and opportunities such as a tour to Italy that they are planning in the spring of '97. If you are interested you can contact Professor Christie Nigro at x.8824. Bacchus (Boosting Alcohol Consciousness Concerning the Health of University Students) promotes awareness about alcohol responsibility. They also address issues such as stress, rape and eating disorders. They are a group of nationwide peer-educators that are invested in helping people help themselves. If you are interested in becoming a member or any of their services you can contact Counseling Center Advisor Laurie Brunell at 793-8072 or Bacchus President Jamie at that same number. L'Biga (Lesbian, Bisexual and Gay and Straight Alliance) provides support on varying life issues. Everyone is welcome!!! It is their hope to have a safe zone where people can talk. Confidentiality, trust and respect are primary concerns of the members of this organization. If you are interested you can contact Laurie Drazek at x.8124.

SOTA (Student Occupational Therapy Association) is an organization that provides social and educational events for all Occupational Therapy students. For further information you can go to their notification bulletin board in the Gym building near the Occupational Therapy office. You can also call the Occupational Therapy office and speak with their President Deborah Froehlich. Reach (Right to Educational Access for Citizens with Handicaps) helps with the needs of handicapped students and students with

learning disabilities. For further information you can contact Dennis Lindbloom or Deborah Froehlich at x.8733. The Newman Association is a volunteer program that assists people in the community in such places as the PIP Shelter, Clark Manor Nursing Home, Mustard Seed Soup Kitchen and many more. Newman meetings are on Thursdays at 2:30 PM at the Campus Ministry House (Behind Dowden Hall.) For further information you can contact Fr. Tim Brewer at (508) 793-8017.

Third World Alliance is located in room SC-320 with the Newman Association. TWA has a variety of events coming up this fall. There is a Latin Festival-10/2 and folk dancing, food tasting and exhibits-10/28. On 10/30 there will be a speaker named Roberto Santiago speaking on the topic of Black Skin, Latin Soul: Caught Between Two Cultures and on 11/1 there will be a live band from 8:00 to 1:00 AM. For further information you can contact their members in their office. The Pep Club is a group of very inspiring, enthusiastic and motivated people who promote morale at rallies, home coming and decorating at certain functions. They are looking for members to join their organization. If you are interested you can contact Charlie Orosko in the Counseling Center or their President Kathie Yenovkian. The Campus Ambassadors are a Non-denominational Christian Fellowship group. They sponsor weekly Bible studies, campus-wide programs and speakers, retreats and social events. Their meetings are every Thursday at 7:00 PM in room SC-204. For more information you can contact Jean Schneider at x.8636 or E-



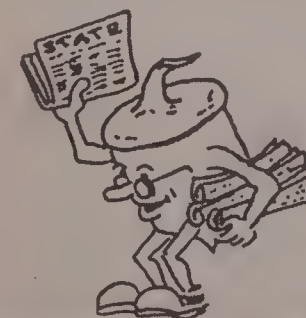
The WSC Crew club prepares to bring in a new member.

Mail her at WOR971SA46@MECN.MASS.EDU or her home page on the Internet at <http://www.tiac.net/users/htran/ca>.

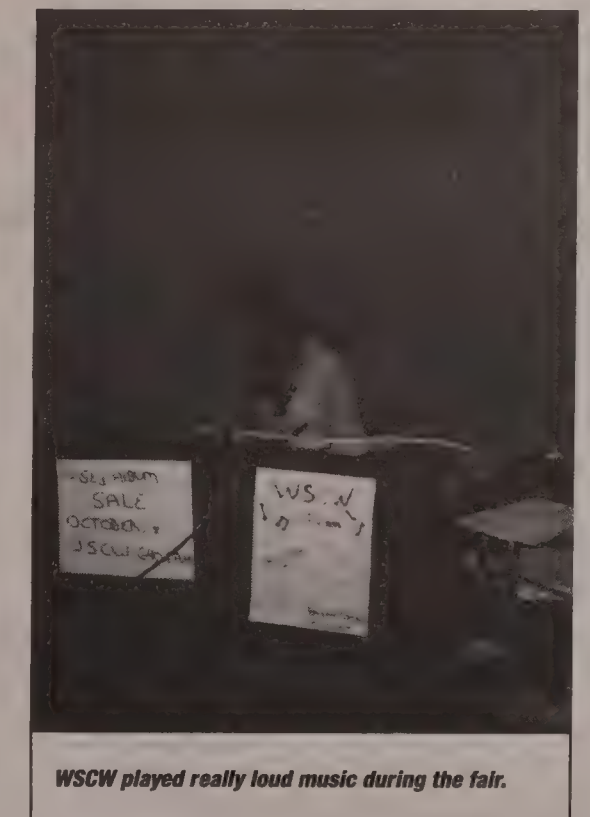
The WSC Rugby Club is looking for players. There is no experience necessary. They would like to have enough people to fill two teams. The Rugby Team needs community support and they welcome you to come and join their winning tradition. For further information you can call Coach Kent at 885-4847 or their President Charlie at 792-6202. The Student Government Association is the nucleus of Worcester State College. They brought in Burger King and Pizza and they have done many things for the students. They are formed by the student for the student and will help in any way that they can. All meetings are open and will be happening every Thursday at 3:00 PM in the Foster room beginning-10/3. They are holding elections on 9/26 and 9/27. For more information call x.8655. The Senior Officers are looking for potential officers. If you are interested you can write a short essay about why you think that you would make a good officer. Be sure to include the clubs and organizations that you

have been/are currently involved in. You can drop that off to Sue on the mezzanine level by 9/20.

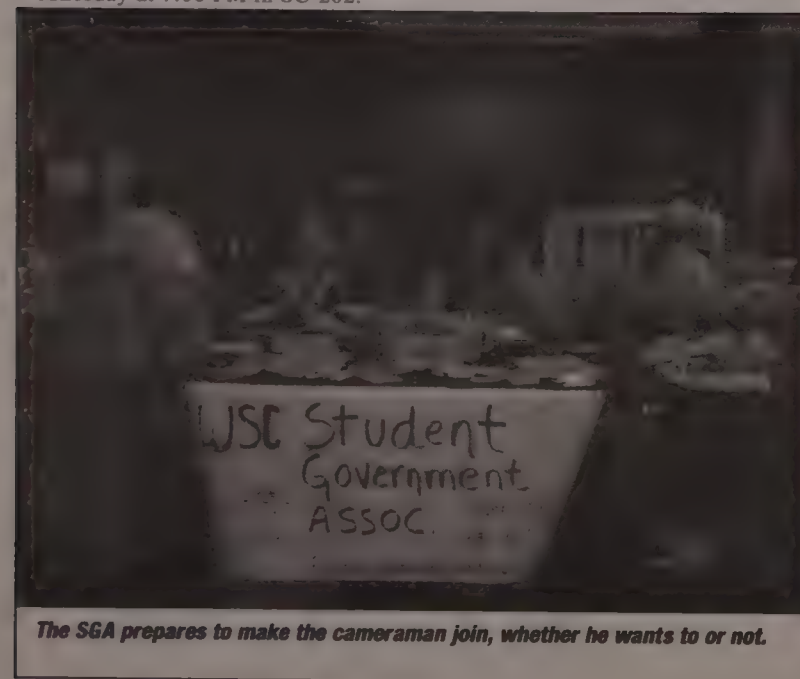
Finally, there is the Student Voice which is the campus newspaper. The Voice is looking for people to do photography, layout, writing (poetry, journalism, editorials, ect.) and any other skills that you think might be helpful. The voice is a fun organization that allows for creativity, intellectual pursuit and helps to broaden the horizons of it's members. This is true for all of the organizations. If you are interested you can contact the sovereign Dave E. Spencer, co-editor, the amicable Ziad Al-Azem, co-editor or the enchanting and diligent Roula Yousef, Business Manager at 754-2313.



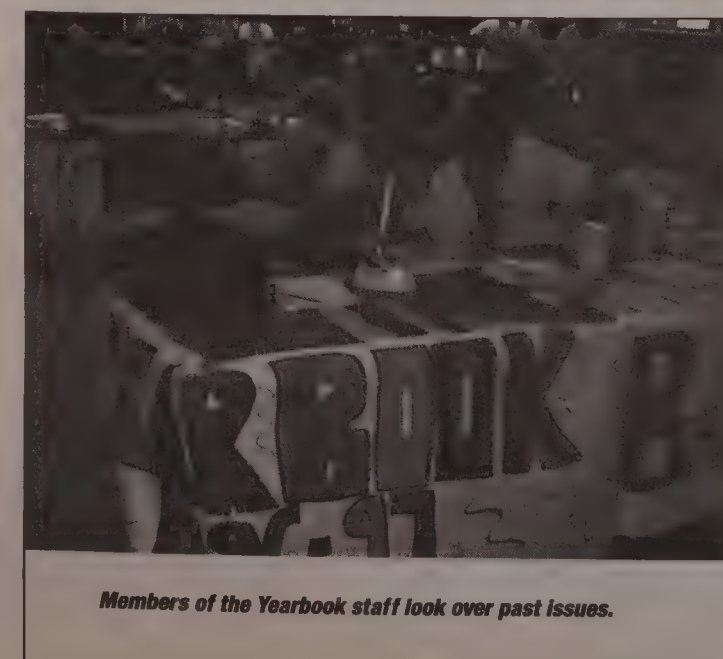
The Campus Ambassadors eagerly await new sign-ups.



WSCW played really loud music during the fair.



The SGA prepares to make the cameraman join, whether he wants to or not.



Members of the Yearbook staff look over past issues.



The Newman Association takes a break while waiting for a freshman to join

SEASON PREVIEW

WPI STUNNED ON STATE TURF

Tables Turned on Cross Town Rival

By: Marcy Lambiras
Sports Editor

Worcester State hasn't crossed paths with WPI since 1992. The early 90's were a stomping ground at Alumni Field. The Lancers were crushed badly in 1991 (47-0) and pounded on in 1992 (56-0), but turned the tables on Saturday in front of a home crowd of 975.

Worcester Tech, fresh off the heels of a 20-0 victory over Westfield State, and picked by the Telegram & Gazette to defeat Worcester State, was held to 35 yards rushing, 90 passing, and no scoring opportunities as the Lancers routed 21-0.

Quarterback Jeff Caputo threw for 198 yards and two touchdowns in his Worcester State debut. Top go-to Bryan Keats racked up 85 yards and tailback Bill Molinari rushed for 66 yards against the Freedom Conference opponent.

Worcester Tech was 5-0 against State colleges going into the game, but stopped dead on their Worcester State encounter.

WPI's top player, tailback Mike Godfrey, (163 yards last week) was held to a mere 53 yards. Star quarterback Nate Cole was sacked twice and only allowed 65 yards passing, before being replaced. His successor, Frank Townsend, also sacked twice, accumulated just 25 yards.

As the defense went on a killing spree, Worcester State's new talent proved to be an asset on the offensive front. Junior quarterback Jeff Caputo, of former Bridgewater fame, completed 13 passes on 24 attempts, while connecting with Keats on a long bomb for the first score of the game.

Freshman tailback Rob Kerr scored on a touchdown run. New backs Todd Daskowski (from Fordham) and Bill Molinari (Springfield College) combined for 103 yards rushing.

A veteran defensive line was successful at holding WPI to no points allowed. Worcester Tech was forced to punt three times in the first quarter and three in the second, on seven posses-

sions.

Steve "Turnover" Hathaway had another of his big games, with two sacks, an interception and a fumble recovery. His third quarter interception set the Lancers up in scoring position. At the WPI 10, newcomers Kerr and Daskowski inched their way to the goal line. On a first and goal, Kerr ran through the middle for a touchdown.

The defense prevailed in the fourth, as defensive back Bob Bourget recovered a fumble, allowing the Lancers to set up shop in WPI territory.

Caputo connected with running back Matt Burden on a 7 yard dinger, with 3:56 left to go. Worcester Tech was allowed no time for retribution, as they sat stunned and disgruntled behind the backdrop of Jose Ribeiro's powerful foot. The all-conference kicker added the finishing touches to each of the three touchdowns.

The next match-up takes place in Dartmouth. The Lancers are headed to UMass on Saturday for a 1:00 game.



- Tony Depiro on the Sack Attack -

Depiro and Steve Hathaway combined for 22 sacks in '95. Hathaway added two more to that record on Saturday.

A Football Buff's Guide To WSC Football



Tailback Ron Palumbo scrambles in Worcester's last encounter with UMass. The Lancers won that showdown and will travel to Dartmouth on Saturday for another UMass annihilation.

PHOTOS BY MARCY LAMBIRAS

By: Marcy
Lambiras
Sports Editor

Worcester State football is back.

A program which finished 9-1 last season, ranked 12th in the nation, and number one in New England, opened the season on Saturday with a 21-0 rout over WPI.

Coach Brien Cullen, NEFC coach of the year, returns for his 12th season with the Lancers.

Worcester State captured the New England Football Conference title in '95, finishing 8-0 in the league. 19 starters return to the squad, ranked among the top 25 of NCAA Division III teams by

starting receivers of the veteran status. Senior tailback Ron Palumbo (380 yds, 2 TDs) will be joined by wide receiver Chris Desisto on the deep threat.

Quarterback transfer Jeff Caputo, a former starter for Bridgewater State (792 yds, 5 TDs in '95), handled himself nicely in the opener. He connected with Keats on a 65 yard bomb, and running back Matt Burden for a fourth quarter mini-bomb, both touchdowns, as the defense allowed zero points from the opposition.

Junior Jose Ribeiro, a placekicker and punter all in one, has the special teams covered. He booted 7 field goals on 9 attempts last season, placing himself second in the league among placekickers. He was responsible for 43 Lancer points, including 22 PATs. On the punting front, Jose averages a cool 32.1. Once the defense takes over, there's no running-to-daylight for the enemy.

The Lancers are looking to capture their second NEFC title, and this year's schedule places them in rough territory on the 28th. The Lancers will head to Maine Maritime for a 1:30 battle with the Mariners.

Maine went 7-2 in '95, second only to Worcester State. They led the league in total offense with 3,140 yards last season, and 348 points per game. Their running back Michael Leon once rushed for 333 yards in one game. Preseason rankings place the Mariners in first place for the NEFC, two slots above Worcester State.

Watch for another good match-up in November when the Lancers visit Mass Maritime. The Buccaneers had the top rated defense in the country last year, holding opponents to a mere 161 yards per game, but lost eight of their starters for '96. Their offensive situation, ranked #2 in the league is being lead by Deron Jozokos, the highest rated QB in the league. Most of their offensive starters have returned. The Bucs, who also finished 7-2 last season, are slotted fourth place in the preseason rankings.

The Lancers are headed to UMass this Saturday for a 1:00 contest. The Corsairs have 45 returning lettermen to a program which finished 4-6 in 1995. One of their six losses took place right here in Coughlin field.

Official 1996 Season Schedule

Sept.	21	at UMass Dartmouth	1:00
	28	MAINE MARITIME	1:30
Oct.	5	at UMass Boston	1:00
	12	FITCHBURG	1:30
	19	At Framingham	1:00
	26	WESTFIELD	1:30
Nov.	2	at Bridgewater	12:00
	9	NICHOLS	12:00
	16	MASS MARITIME	12:00

Sports Illustrated magazine.

Powered by it's solid defensive unit, the Lancers have gone 23-7 over the past three years, and produced a strong opening on Saturday against their Freedom Conference rival.

Senior linebacker Scott Holland, NEFC's defensive player of the year for back-to-back seasons, leads a rushing defense ranked second in the nation. Defensive ends Tony Depiro (11.5 sacks in '95) and Steve Hathaway (10.5 sacks) lead a total defensive package ranked third in the nation.

A defense which Brad Spellane coins as "ten times better than last year," was responsible for 19 interceptions and 57 quarterback sacks in '95.

The offense is loaded as well.

Bryan Keats, top go-to man in '95 with 990 yards and 7 touchdowns, leads a three-pack of

WSC RUGBY CLUB

No Experience Necessary

For more info call Kent (coach) 885-4847

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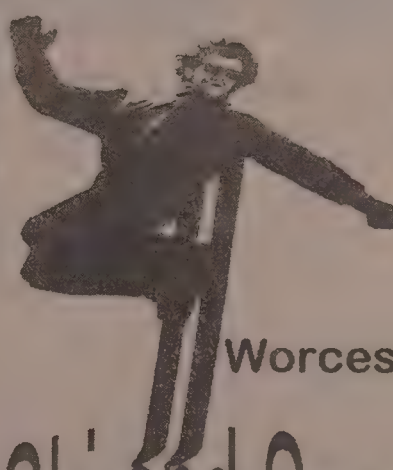
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Don't miss SEC's Talent show on Friday, Sept. 20, at 7:30 in the Blue Lounge!!!!



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Arts & Entertainment

The Comic Strip

By Dave Spencer

Son of Uther Pendragon, King of the Britons, Defeater of the Saxons, Sovereign of All England

Another death has rocked the comics community. For those of you who haven't been informed, artist Mike Parobeck died July 2nd of complications from his diabetes. Parobeck is most famous for his work on *Impact's The Fly*, and DC's *El Diablo* and *Batman Adventures*. He will be greatly missed.

When DC Comics' releases its hard-cover collection

version of King-d o m Come, look for new pages from artist Alex Ross.

Again with DC, there will be a sequel to the acclaimed mini-series, *The Golden Age*. It will feature DC's Silver age heroes as they have to deal with the Cold War government of the United States. It will be written by James Robinson, with art by Howard Chaykin.

Look for the highly anticipated *Batman/Gen 13* mini-series in December, from DC Comics and Wildstorm Productions.

OUT THIS WEEK:

Dark Horse Comics

Big Blown Baby #2
The Black Pearl #1
Body Bags #2
Chronowar #2
Classic Star Wars: Devilworlds #2
Gamera #2
Godzilla #16
Grendel: Devil's Legacy #2
Nexus: Executioner's Song #4
Star Wars: Boba Fett-When the Fat Lady Swings

DC Comics

Action Comics #727
Amber: the Guns of Avalon #2
Aquaman #26
Artemis: Requiem #6
Aztek: The Ultimate Man #4
The Batman and Robin Adventures #12
Batman: Shadow of the Bat Annual #4
Detective Comics #703
The Final Night #3
Lobo #33
Looney Tunes #26
Parallax: Emerald Night #1
Superboy #33
Total Justice #3

Helix Comics

Gemini Blood #3

Milestone Media

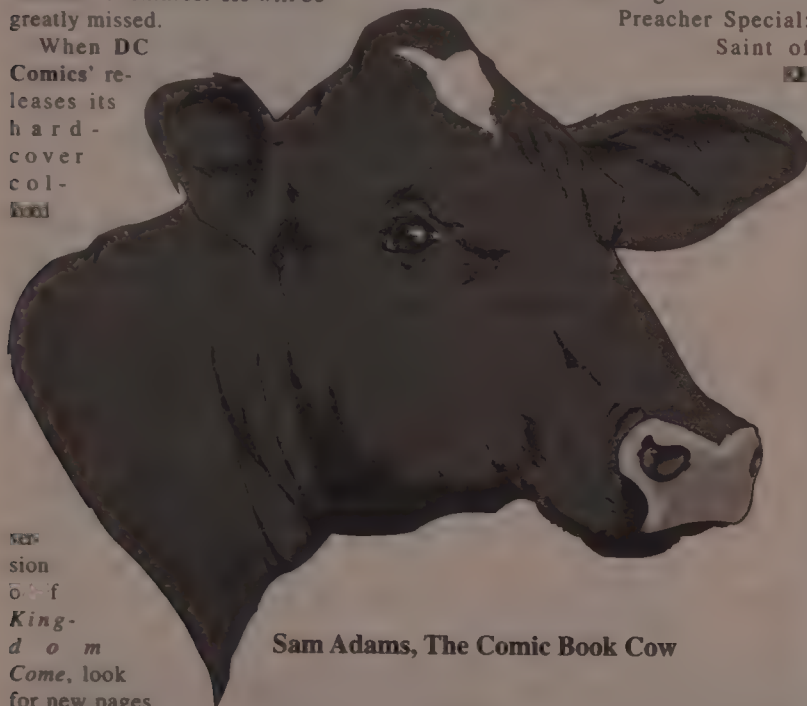
Wise Son: The White Wolf #1

Vertigo

Blood: A Tale

The Dreaming #6

Preacher Special: Saint of



Sam Adams, The Comic Book Cow

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Sandman Mystery Theatre #44

THE BACK ISSUE BIN

Bone #13 1/2

Publisher: Cartoon Books and Wizard Press
Words and Art: Jeff Smith
Wizard Guide Value: \$12.00

This was one of Wizard's many successful 1/2 issues. A 1/2 issue was one where an issue was filled with interviews, art, some text, and a story that is half the length of a normal one. In Bone 1/2, we see the story of how Grandma Ben's farm is rebuilt after the attack by the rat creatures. It mainly deals with Smiley Bone and Lucius rebuilding the roof. It is a laugh riot. I highly recommend this book.

Mary Cosgrove Dolphin Excellence in Art Award

Excellence in Art Award is an annually award in memory of Professor Mary C. Dolphin, who taught in the Art Department at Worcester State College for over twenty five years. The award is a living tribute to the Visual Arts.

A monetary award of three hundred dollars is presented annually to a student at Worcester State College who submits a portfolio of art work which, according to the consensus of the faculty of the Visual Arts of Worcester State College, demonstrates the highest quality of artistic potential.

See any art professor for details. Portfolios due in the Art Department by November 18th, Gym Bldg. 4104 Area.

The Force Is With Us... Again!

by Michael Cocozzella
Voice Staff

Well, WSC Star Wars fans, I hope you've strapped yourselves in, because nationwide Star Wars fever is about to make the jump into hyperspace. Thirteen years after Return Of the Jedi, the popularity of George Lucas's masterpiece saga is soaring majestically, as Han Solo's Millennium Falcon did once through space, a long time ago in a galaxy far, far away.

Why the hysteria? Well, a lot of exciting news has come out of LucasFilm in recent years, and Star Wars has been an unprecedented popularity phenomenon since it first hit the big screen in 1977. Using a truly great story line, a powerful cast, incredible costume designs and spaceships, amazing special effects, cool creatures and lovable droids, George Lucas created a world where, if we had a chance to live in it, getting out of bed each morning wouldn't be such a loathsome inconvenience.

Since the early 1990s, which marked the release of Timothy Zahn's trilogy of new Star Wars novels (Heir to the Empire, Dark Force Rising, and The Last Command), George Lucas has announced he will film the first three episodes of the saga (Star Wars, The Empire Strikes Back, and Return Of The Jedi are episodes four, five and six, respectively) with 1999 set as a target date for release of the first movie. That seems like a long time to wait, huh? Well, don't become so impatient that you go and give yourself over to the Dark Side, because there is plenty to whet our appetites until then. Special Editions of SW, ESB, and ROTJ will be released in movie theaters next year, starting in February with Star Wars. ESB and ROTJ will follow shortly thereafter, probably in March. These Special Edition movies, thanks to mid-90s technology, will use new, computer generated action scenes and special effects to enhance the originals so that George Lucas's ultimate vision of the Star Wars universe will finally be realized.

And nowhere is the impact of all this exciting news more explosive than at the toy stores, where Kenner's new, improved line of Star Wars toys has been flying off the shelves for a year now. For many of us in our childhood, quality play time was play time with our Star Wars action figures and vehicles. The ugly fact that Mom chucked them all in the trash sort of casts a hideous grey cloud over the warm and sunny feelings those memories give us...but never fear! Kenner's new products are vast improvements over the originals. Greater care with regard to styling and authenticity was given to the action figures and ships, and it shows

with spectacular effect. They look like they were pulled straight from the movie. So far the "Power Of The Force" line includes Luke, Han, Obi-Wan Kenobi, Princess Leia, Darth Vader, Stormtrooper, R2-D2, C-3PO, Chewbacca, Lando Calrissian, Boba Fett, Luke in X-Wing Fighter gear, TIE-Fighter Pilot, Han in Hoth gear, Yoda, Luke in Dagobah Fatigues, and Biker Scout, which comes boxed, accompanied by its trusty Speeder Bike. Just released this month are Luke in his Jedi Outfit, Leia in Boussh Disguise, and Han in Carbonite. Later in the year (late November, early December) we will see Luke in Stormtrooper Disguise, Imperial Gunner, Tatooine Stormtrooper, Greedo, Jawa, and Hammerhead. This line is getting more exciting all the time and will continue so as new figures keep coming out over the next couple of years leading up to the new trilogy. Also released this month are 12" dolls of Luke, Han, Obi-Wan, and Darth Vader. Boba Fett, Princess Leia, and Chewbacca will follow later this year, with more scheduled for 1997.

Perhaps the most stunning examples of incredibly authentic movie styling are the ships. Amazingly thorough attention was given to their stickers, paint, design, and detail, making the originals look utterly pale in comparison. Included in the current run are the X-Wing Fighter, Millennium Falcon, Landspeeder, TIE-Fighter, Scout Walker, Snowspeeder, and Boba Fett's Slave-1.

Well, there you have it folks. Star Wars mania is back in full Force, and will be for quite some time into the next century, with the release of the new trilogy. Whether it's action figures, comic books, or other paraphernalia items, people just can't seem to get enough of a good thing, and the madness will only escalate. As far as you and I are concerned, as Star Wars takes us into the next century, let's hope that someday Math and English can be as much fun.



Ride Needed/Will Pay for Gas

Looking for Monday/Wednesday/Friday. From Franklin/Milford Area to Worcester and vice versa. Need to be in Worcester from 9-9:30, until 2 pm. If you would be willing to ride share please call and leave a message. Thanks. My name is Sylvia Weston-Harris at 528-4504.

Arts & Entertainment

OASIS PERFORMS “DYING GASP” SHOW AT CENTRUM

by Teresa M. Iaconi
Resident Blur Fan

Oasis performed what may have been one of its very last shows as a group at the Centrum recently, with the Seattle-based Screaming Trees as opening act. The obnoxiously adorable Gallagher brothers brought the house down on Friday, September 6, playing to an arena that was sadly half-empty. However, their performance was fairly solid, starting out with a few expected Oasis staples, such as the title cut from their most recent release, “What’s the Story (Morning Glory)?” The music for the first third of their set was generally loud and drum-heavy with noticeably whiny guitars and Liam’s noticeably whiny vocals. Between the

music and Liam’s overly-understated stage antics, it seemed as though it was heading into Oasis overdose...however, Liam made his exit, which made for a wonderful four-song acoustic set from least obnoxious brother Noel. Particularly enthralling was “Wonderwall,” perhaps one of their better songs; however, they also performed a “sped-up” version of “Champagne Supernova” that essentially ruined the song for me. Liam rejoined the group for their final number, a cover of “I Am the Walrus” that was actually really quality stuff, probably the best number of the evening. Screaming Trees were pretty much what one would expect, wonderful if you like their stuff but not terribly impressive otherwise. Final rating: “I Am the Walrus” was great, but too

Catherine Wheel: A Form of Torture

JoAnne LaValle
Guest Writer

Loving music the way I do, I decided to do my share of input for this semester and review the latest CD, *Like Cats and Dogs*, by Catherine Wheel. I came to the realization that I do not love all music! Named after the gruesome torture device that dates back to the fourth century St. Catherine, Catherine Wheel’s dark lyrics and mellow sounds lived up to its name. Group members Rob Dickinson (vocals), Brian Futter (guitars), Dave Hawes (bass), and Neil Sims (percussion), formed Catherine Wheel in Great Yarmouth, England in 1990. Although hints of influence from Pink Floyd and The

Who can be heard, it is not enough to save the group’s third album from being hopelessly depressing. The running theme of the album is fear. Fear of abandonment. Fear of rejection. Fear of . . . well . . . fear. After twelve songs consisting primarily of the same theme, well it is enough to make you sick, or jump off of a bridge (whatever comes first). To top it all off, this is an album entirely made up of “non album songs” not previously used on the group’s first two albums (go figure). So although there may be one or two songs on the entire album that I would voluntarily listen too again, *Like Cats and Dogs* was not among my favorite albums of all time. However, if you feel the need to get totally depressed, then this



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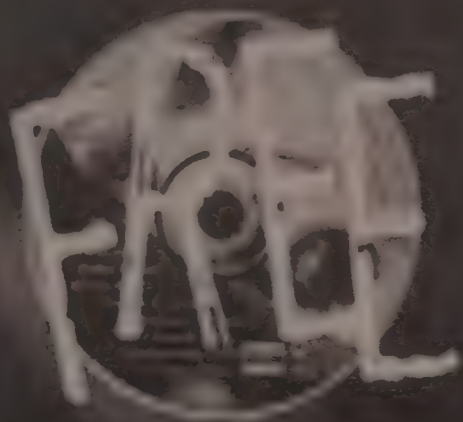
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OPINION/EDITORIAL

WSC PARKING - Whats up with that?

By Marcy Lambiras
I'm Gonna Crack

Parking. You just can't. What's up with that?

If they're gonna build a school and admit 4,000 students, then they better have parking for at least 1,000 students...at least. That's not the case here.

And it's getting to the point where I'm gonna kill somebody.

The Grind

It's bad enough waking up at the crack o' freakin dawn. Then you have the long commute; the 2000 car pile-up at the Lovel street connector; the 20 trips around the lot in search of a parking space. Now you're late for class.

It basically comes down to two choices.

- 1 - Go home.
- 2 - Park illegally

Decision 1: You don't even want to be here in the first place, never mind barge in late and deal with 30 staring faces. The long walk to the end of the class is the worse.

But there's this ever popular teacher motto around campus: Miss two classes - Flunk!

So you figure: *I'll just study extra hard for the next test. I don't need to go to the lecture.* **WRONG!**

Test grades aren't even taken into account. It's all just attendance. That's the way the cookie crumbles around here. Show up - pass. Don't show up - flunk. To hell with ability!

Decision 2: Then there's the other option: Screw it, I'm parking in the fire lane. Most people aren't this bold. The

ol' sneak attack is much more common: *I'll just slip into this here teacher spot. No one will ever notice. I'll show them who's who.*

The Ticket Trap

This phase usually follows a #2 decision. Like clockwork, that ticket will appear on your windshield in a matter of minutes.

The first one can be disheartening. *Oh shit, they caught me.*

The second one is a real buzz kill.

The third one is sickening. *These guys are like snipers man! They hide on building tops. The minute you leave your vehicle they move in for the kill.*

The fourth one: *What the Christ!*

By about the ninth or tenth ticket, you figure screw it. What's one more ticket. I'm parking right here. This spot is sweet.

Once you're into the double-didgets, you figure you own stocks in the school. *I'll park wherever I damn well please - I'm part owner.*

The Registry

Of course, all the while, you've been throwing the tickets out with no intention of paying for them. *It's only cam-*

pus police, what are they gonna do, hold my report card?

Nope. They send those bad boys right to the Registry of Motor Vehicles. Real cool. What's even cooler, they tack on an additional \$45 per ticket. Welcome to Worcester State College! How the hell are ya?

Your first year is the worst. You can't park within a five mile radius of the school. But of course you do anyway. I mean, how are you gonna get back and forth to Sunney's?

A year later, you go to renew your license and they say, "That'll be \$957 dollars, Charlie."

The jokes on who? That's right, they've got you by the balls. I pay more money in parking fines than I do in tuition. It would have been cheaper to

build my own personal parking garage.

The Scam

I don't care what they say. They're making a killing on those parking ticket fines.

You figure, they have 4,000 students, each paying a good \$3,000 a year to come here. That's \$12 million dollars a year in tuition fees. Each year. And that's not even including dorm residents who pay more than that.

Add to that, all the money they collect from parking fines and you've got a pretty good lump sum right there.

Where does all the money go?

If they want to call themselves a

school and charge crazy tuition fees, the least they can do is let us park the freakin car.

Mysterious Teachers

The worst part is - they have strategically placed 200 parking spots real close to the buildings, that say: *Can't Park Here.*

Don't forget the other 300 teacher spaces. Now, they even have staff parking up by the dorms. Just how many freakin teachers are there? And how many teachers do you know who hang out at the dorms?

It's a scam if you ask me. I mean, there's always open spaces in the teacher areas. It's a trap. You're late for class. You drive by, see all those empties - you can practically hear each spot calling out your name. Then...Bingo! A ticket. They couldn't fill all those teacher spots if they invited every teacher in Worcester. But they insist on keeping all 300 of them.

A Parking Garage

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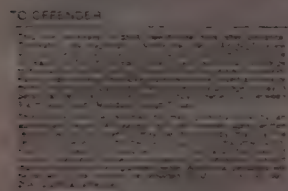
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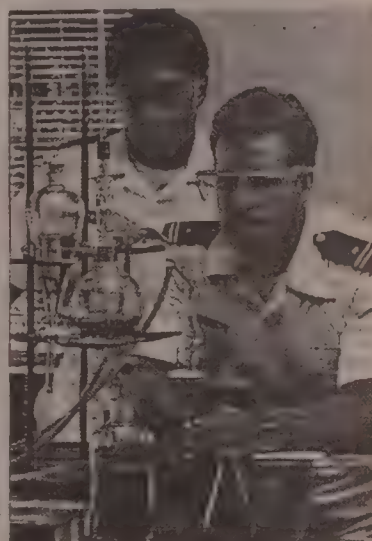
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CAMPUS NEWS

American Red Cross Visits WSC

by Christopher M. Smith
Voice Staff

Volunteers once again rose to the occasion of giving the gift of life to those who are in need. On Thursday, September 19 from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM The American Red Cross set up camp in the Student Center and did what they do best. What they do best is helping people get blood for transfusions so that they may live. The staff of six was made up of RN's, LPN's and Technicians along with four volunteers. Sandra Vincent, RN was the supervisor for the day and she has been involved with The American Red Cross for almost five years. "We are always looking for volunteers to donate blood because there is always a need. Summer time, vacation, bad weather and holidays are times when people are usually not as available as they usually are" says Sandra.

Michael Reardon, a technician, was busy collecting blood with the others. "We try and visit twice a semester if we can. If we

don't make it back again this semester then we will come back at the beginning of next year" says Reardon. The goal for the day was to collect fifty units(pints) of blood from fifty volunteers. There was about an hour left and they had accumulated forty pints and they expressed confidence that they would meet their goal for the day and even exceed it a little. There is a preliminary screening process and some brief forms to fill out before a person gives blood. People who are seventeen years of age must have a Parent or Guardian consent to donate. Those who are eighteen and over are given a questionnaire to complete. Vital signs are taken, anemia is checked for and then there is a short wait before the blood is actually drawn. One of the people waiting to give blood was Carrie P. and she said "I am giving blood today because it is beneficial to others. It is a good idea. I've given blood once before

and I like to help other people that need it. I take some comfort in knowing that if I need blood someday that it will be there for me."

After the blood is collected it is sent to Dedham, MA where it is thoroughly screened for any anomalies and after that process is complete the blood is distributed to the facilities where it can be directly administered as needed. The shelf-life of the blood is forty-two days but it very rarely goes unused before it expires. After the volunteers donate they are required to sit at a table nearby for a minimum of fifteen minutes to make sure that everything is okay. They are provided with a variety of juices, crackers, cookies and pretzels to help rejuvenate themselves and to have a snack. Three volunteers were sitting at that table and they briefly shared why they give blood. Volunteer Heather M. stated "There's a need. I don't have a problem with it. I know

that I'm helping people" and Allan L. said "My house burned down and The American Red Cross was there to help me. So, I give blood whenever they come around." Jean S. said "People need it! It makes me feel good to know that the blood is helping out someone, somewhere. Blood is in short supply."

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THE INTERVIEW OF A LIFETIME—OAKIE A. CORN

by Michael Cocozzella

Folks, as rare interviews go, this is perhaps the rarest. Because of the vast squirrel population of Worcester, VOICE mascot Oakie A. Corn is rarely ever seen in public, and he never grants interviews. That all changed this week as I was able to cajole Mr. Corn to talk from the heart about himself and, from what we learned, his absolutely fascinating past. It was a huge thrill for this reporter to talk to perhaps the most interesting acorn history has ever known.

Mike Cocozzella: It's a pleasure to meet you, Mr. Corn. I'm a big fan.

Oakie A. Corn: Thanks, Mike. I would shake your hand, but...you know. And call me Oakie, please.. Hey, I'm very sorry I was late coming in. I went to my sister's wedding this morning. She married the man she's loved since she was a little acorn.

MC: That's very sweet. What kind of nut is the lucky groom?

Oakie: Cashew.

MC: God bless you.

Oakie: No, no. Cashew. The groom is a cashew.

MC: Alright. Tell me, where do you come from?

Oakie: I fell out of a tree right here on campus. As you know, acorns have a hard outer shell and a soft, very tasty as some horrid people may tell you, endoskeleton. During the fall I cracked my shell open and suffered serious damage to my soft innards. Very painful. That's all I have to say about

that. And I would rather not reveal my age.

MC: You must have been very sad to have to leave your home tree. Were you fond of your mother?

Oakie: I have no fond memories of my mother. She never seemed to have any time for me, which I guess is understandable because she had about 10,000 other little acorns hanging from her limbs. She was always more concerned with photosynthesis than anything else. Earlier in life I was desperate to be loved by others because I never felt loved by her. She was my mother, though, and I still love her, God rest her sap.

MC: What happened to her?

Oakie: She's a picnic table in Pensacola, Florida

MC: I'm sorry to hear that. How did you deal with the emotional pain of never feeling loved?

Oakie: I visited a psychotherapist, and God bless that man, he sent me to a place where I really felt at home. Everyone was the same as I was. I made some wonderful friends. The whole place treated me as if I were home grown.

MC: Where was this?

Oakie: The Nut House.

MC: Why did you never make the transition from acorn to tree?

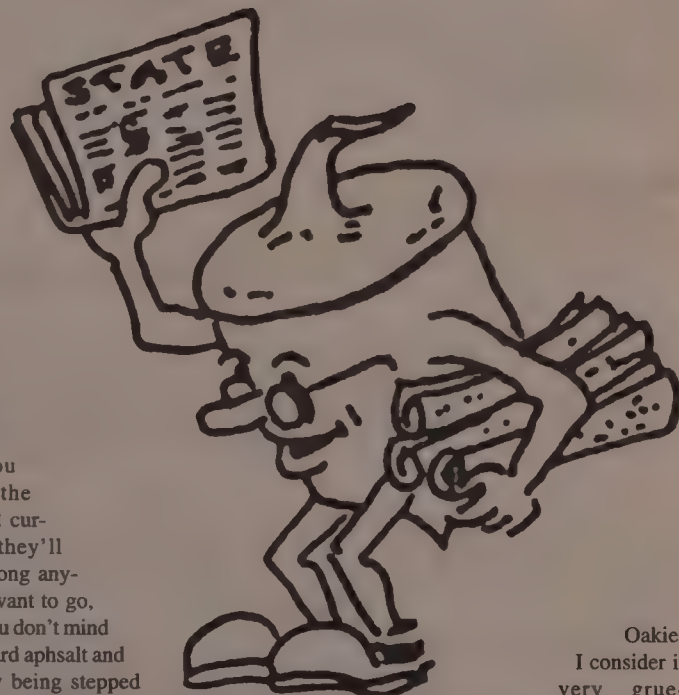
Oakie: Becoming a tree entails a huge commitment. Once you've made that commitment, you can't move. You have to wile the time away twiddling your...uh....thumbs.

Any-way, mobility is very important when you deliver newspapers like I do. When you're an acorn, you wait for the proper wind currents, and they'll push you along anywhere you want to go, as long as you don't mind rolling on hard asphalt and occasionally being stepped on.

MC: How did you come to the VOICE?

Oakie: The time came when I decided to stop feeling sorry for myself and go out into the world to be somebody. When I came to Worcester State I wanted to work with Environmental Resources, but they stuck me with the newspaper.

MC: What do you think of the newspaper business?



Oakie: I consider it very gruesome. They kill trees to make newspaper, you know.

MC: Where do you live? Is it on campus?

Oakie: I can't tell you that because I know some hungry city squirrels who might read this interview. All I can say is that I try to keep away from combinations of intense sunlight and fertile, rich, irrigated soil. Also people who have short fuses and carry nut-crackers.

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the image,
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your mirror
to bury
my face in
your breast,
and find a place
to curl my
sunken posture
in warmth,
but only
tasting
salt water
and sweat.
The creamy
feeling
melted,
leaving me
stale in
despondence
and living
a myth.

SPANISH NIGHTS

A LIPSTICK
SILHOUETTE
PAINTED
ACROSS MADRID'S

ELECTRIC LIT
NIGHT SCAPES.
THE FINAL
SOFTENED

CANDLE
EXPIRES WITH
SWEET
STARVING BREATH.

SHE PASSES
MOMENTS
OF CRYSTAL DARKNESS
ALONE,

CONSUMED
WITH SILENCE
BEFORE SPEAKING
IN HEAVILY

ACCENTED ENGLISH...
"NIGHT
GIVES BIRTH
TO DAWN.

DO YOU
REALIZE
WHERE WE ARE
GOING?"

Rosemary...for remembrance,
pansies... for thoughts
by Robyn

Do you ever think of me
when the darkest hours dawn,
when life has fallen on your life,
when boredom makes you yawn?

Do you ever think of me
on days that pass you by
on nights when stars are shining down
on whims that, by you, fly?

Do you ever think of me
when showers pound your chest,
when any water touches you
when tears won't let you rest?

Do you ever think of me
before the day is dawning new
before you lay your head to sleep
before anything you do?

Oasis in P'jaing Ste Yuing

The golden shores
warm my toes
as I frolic lazily
at P'jaing cove
Brisk wind fills my eyes
tears flow and I laugh
I am not sad
I am not happy...I just am
I am an apparition in phase
Between the ticks of the clock
We, the friendly little snails
come out and play
Can you see me big man?
Do you know me strange man?
We are happy, happy snails!
Got my house on my back
No rent...no rent
He, he, ha, ha
We play charades in the dark
and we slither and we hum
This is our sanctuary
If you're a snail you don't ask why
We like cole slaw, nice and cold
Do you understand?
Smile!!! That's all my friends...
...just smile with me here
in the blissful trappings
of P'jaing cove...snail heaven
~Christopher M. Smith

Do you ever think of me
or am I now you past?
Am I just sweet remembrance
my essence gone at last?



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SPORTS

Field Hockey Preview

by Kinga Slowinska

The exciting season of fall sports has finally begun and unlike last year, the field hockey team promises to make its contribution to this fall's excitement. Consisting of eighteen powerful players, the WSC field hockey team has a great chance at an extremely productive season. Great additions to the team are, talented novice, Laura Graves as starting goalie and, new team manager, Daniel Omondi. Daniel is currently a WSC student. He played organized field hockey in Africa and will surely be helpful to the team. The team is much farther along than last year; everyone works well together and there is more of a team atmosphere. I agree the team captains, Sarah Murphy and Tara Tokarz. Coach Jodie Kerns and Assistant Coach Paula Peterson also expressed positive feelings about this year's team. This year we have a dedicated and hard working group. These girls are a thinking and passing team, not hit and run like last year, I concede Coach Kerns.

The cancellation of the first game on September 17th against Wheelock, may have thrown off the team's rhythm at the commencement of the season, resulting in a loss on September 19th against tough competitor, Clark University. A score of 4-to-1 in no way reflects the great performance of the Lady Lancers. Captains Sarah Murphy and Tara Tokarz also point out that missing the

first game of the season threw off the team. However, Coach Jodie Kerns believed that although it resulted in a loss, this was a good first game. There was a great deal of passing and communication in the first half with WSC dominating, but in the second half our team got tired and had lazy feet, I stated Coach Kerns. Outstanding stars of the game for the 19th were Nicole Dzierzak, who plays left halfback, and Lisa Paquette, the sweeper. Their strong defense helped move the ball up the field to the quick forward line. Speedy Stockdale (Lisa) came through to score the Lancers' only goal with the assistance of Tara Tokarz. The ball just wouldn't be allowed in Clark's goal, no matter how often it was down there. Nevertheless, it was an exciting first game with a dignified effort by WSC. Upcoming games that will close out the month are Nichols College on Sept. 24th (away at 4p.m.), Endicott on Sept. 26th (away at 4p.m.), and Simmons on Sept. 28th (home at 11a.m.).

The future looks promising for the WSC field hockey team with the toughest competition coming from Clark University and UMass Dartmouth. Great passing, communication, teamwork, and motivation are what will make this season productive and this team is on its way to perfecting these skills. Their application will result in win

after win. Go get 'em, Lady Lancers! EVERYONE IS INVITED TO COME SUPPORT THE WSC FIELD HOCKEY TEAM!!! HOME GAMES ARE ON THE FIELD IN FRONT OF THE GYMNASIUM. COME ENJOY THE FUN! UP-

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WSC Soccer team has high hopes for this year...

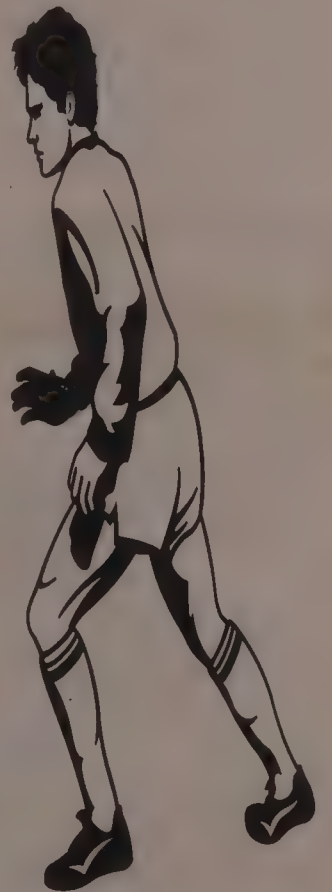
by Andy Teman
Voice Staff

The Worcester State men's soccer team has all of the tools it needs to become a contender for the MASCAC title in 1996. All they need to do is figure out how to use them. With only a handful of returning players from last year's squad, some would say this is a rebuilding year for the Lancers. But with a well-respected new coach (Tony Conte) and an influx of promising Freshmen and Transfers, many expected the team to be much better than it's disappointing 1-4-1 start.

To open up the season, WSC took on a cross-town rival, WPI, in the city tournament. The result was a 3-2 loss on the rainswept field at Assumption College. The following week brought 2 more losses to Nichols College (3-0) and a heart-breaking 2-1 overtime loss to Eastern Connecticut State.

On Sept. 16, New England College came into town to face the then 0-3 Lancers. Down 2-0 at the half, WSC fought back, and with goals from Jason Kusy and Jason Popp, were able to salvage a 2-2 overtime tie. Three days later, the good fortune would continue with a home win over Wentworth behind goals by Todd Pafume and team scoring leader Jason Kusy (3 goals). On Saturday the 21st, the Lancers

traveled to UMass-Dartmouth to face the corsairs. Unfortunately, WSC left with a 1-0 loss, stopping their unbeaten streak at 2 games. The Lancers are hoping to turn things around before they begin conference play on Oct. 2 against Fitchburg State, here at Coughlin Field.



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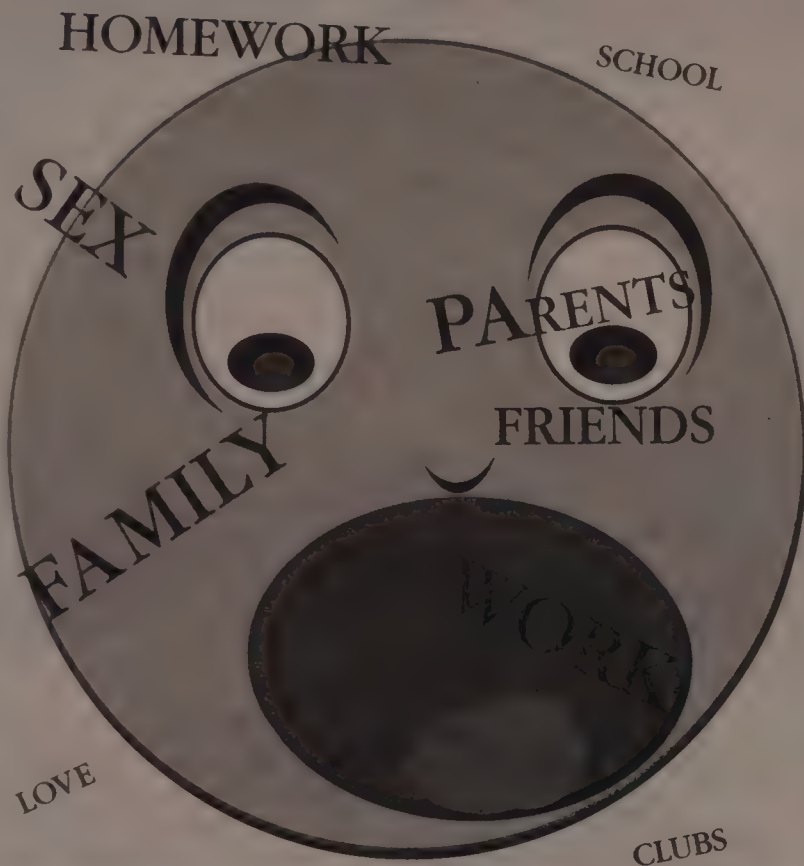
Stress Relief...Made Simple.

by: Ziad Al-Azem
Editor-in-Chief

Stress seems to be a huge part of everyone's life now-a-days. Whether it comes from school, a romantic involvement, or just a lack of things to do, it still exists...and so, I am writing this to list a few ways to get rid of stress!

What makes me an authority on stress, you ask? Well, I am Editor-in-Chief of this paper...and besides that, I am pretty involved on this campus. (Theater, the Voice, and last but not least, 15 credits.) Basically, I know what I am talking about. Here's the list:

21. Drink Beer.
20. Crank WAAF, and go for a ride...at 85+ miles an hour.
19. Punch things.
18. Scream
17. Shoot the person who's giving you stress.
16. Watch Monty Python and the Holy Grail for the Umpteenth time.
15. Meditate...(hah!)
14. Put a curse on somebody...practice witchcraft.
13. Do the "UnMorman thing!"
12. Play
11. Eat mass quantities of food
10. Travel...visit Paris, it's nice this time of year.
9. Throw things



8. Candy
7. Roll over and fall asleep.
6. Hand glige over the ocean...naked.
5. Pick up a new hobby.
4. Practice Yoga
3. Spin around in little circles untill you pass out.
2. Name the tiles on your bathroom floor.
1. Write a stupid editorial for The Student Voice!

Well, now that my little list of useless thing is over, lets get a little more real... Stress is one of the biggest problems amongst teens...and the worst thing about stress as a teenager is that it can come in many, many different forms. It could be something as little as driving to school, to something as obvious as a term paper. Stress can often wear a person out, and if not properly dealt with, can cause actual physical illness. Safe ways to deal with stress are meditation, Yoga, and breathing excercises. Taking some time to one's self every once in a while is also a great way to keep calm...and for those of you who seem to wake up stressed, check your diet, or your sleeping habbits. Hey, we only go to college once, so we ought to enjoy it...and being stressed is no fun.

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OPINION

Letters to the Editors

Dear Editor:

I would just like to put in my two cents worth about Marcy's wonderful Editorial about parking. You go girl. It's about time someone starts talking about this problem publicly. I sat in my Intro to Urban Studies class the other day (10 minutes late because I could not find a parking space!!!) listening to Prof. Amory tell us how we were CUSTOMERS at this school and that we are supposed to have a say in what happens. Now I have known since I started coming here that I am a customer. I even told a teacher that once. She gave me crap about something and I said "Hey, I pay you." I have even heard good teachers tell their students "This is your money, your education, you pay us." So I have realized for awhile that we are no longer in high school and that people can't push us around. (Or at least they shouldn't be able to.) But when it comes to

parking, this school is in a whole different world. (Maybe it's all schools, I don't know. I do know at UMASS you have to take a shuttle from your car to the school but that is a much bigger school.) I do know that any restaurant I have ever eaten at or worked at the EMPLOYEE has to park a mile away in the grass and the CUSTOMER gets front row parking. Stores, Malls and even Walmart gives the CUSTOMER front row parking. But here at WSC it is the other way around. The people who get paid, receive benefits, respect and all that other stuff get all the parking they ever need and don't even get a ticket when they park in the spots for students. How about some signs around saying STUDENT PARKING ONLY. And as Marcy pointed out employee parking at the dorms? What for? We can't even park around the STUDENT CENTER. I would not even care if I had to pay to park in the teachers parking lot. But on Tuesdays when

I have class at 10:00am, go until 2:15pm, eat lunch, go to my Work Study job, then have class until 9:00pm at night I really do not want to walk all the way down Zenith Street to a side road hoping that I won't be mugged, raped, and all the while I'm praying that I didn't lose my keys, leave my lights on or maybe the best one realizing that this was where I parked yesterday and then freaking at night in the middle of Worcester. I also do not think that, having 12 hour days on campus and being a commuter, I should have to get up at 5am to get here at 7am just so I can have a parking space. For a school that is so non-traditional and so full of commuters such as this one you would think that things could change. Something must be done soon cuz like Marcy I just may crack.

Amy Garella

Dear David and Ziad,

I'm the General Manager of WSCW and just recieved your letter. I feel you shouldn't apologize at all but I know you had to. I saw nothing wrong with the picture. Magazine covers do it, why not the Voice? I Believe people are narrow-minded and can't accept art for what it is. Fight this censorship. I'm behind you one hundred percent.

Laurie Zylicz
WSCW General Manager



Dear Amy

Allow me to play Devil's Advocate here, for a minute. First let me explain that Worcester State College has the highest Commuter ratio of all of the State Colleges. Second, it also, for the State Colleges, has the highest actual number of parking spaces. Third, the plan for adding a building in the middle of campus will actually ADD parking spaces. As for your claim that we, the students pay the faculty, I must tell you that this basic assumption is wrong. The full-time in-state student pays just about \$700 for tuition. This money is mostly earmarked for upkeeping the facilities that we use every day, and partly pay the staff. The State Board of Higher Education grants vast sums of money to the state colleges each year, to offset the cost of tuition. This money is what pays the professors, not anything you or I pay. As for your analogy about Customer/Employee, I can only say this: The System of higher

education cannot and should not be linked to "McDonalds" or "Wendy's." When you attend college, you've made the decision to invest a minimum of four years of your life in it. I would like to see someone invest four minutes in a "McDonalds" burger. You also speak of why staff shouldn't have the good spots. That comes down to two inescapable facts. 1. The school will function if the students leave, but if the professors leave, the school would have to reimburse all students, which would bankrupt the school. 2. The faculty have a union, and we don't. Part of their collective bargain is the faculty parking lot near the Sullivan Building, which is rarely filled, but the spots have to be there. Also, I don't know about you, but I would be the first to complain if my professors were chronically late. You bring up Marcy's point about staff parking in the dorms. The staff parking there is for the Campus Police and the Office of Residence Life. You

also mention that why should you have to get here for 7 am to get a parking spot? If you're class starts at 10 am, why not get here for 9 am? There are still some damn good parking spaces at that point. I don't mean to sound like a jerk but, if you don't want to get here that early, why not move your car during your lunchtime? I eat on the fly every day. It's not pleasant, but it saves me a great deal of time. My final point is be this (and this goes out to everyone): GROW UP! Everyone who came to WSC during an open house saw all the parking spaces and thought to themselves that they would be able to live at home, commute at 10 or 11 in the morning, find a decent parking space, and go to class. Almost no one bothered to find out how much of the campus was commuter, and that's our fault for being "bad consumers."

David E. Spencer
Editor-in-Chief

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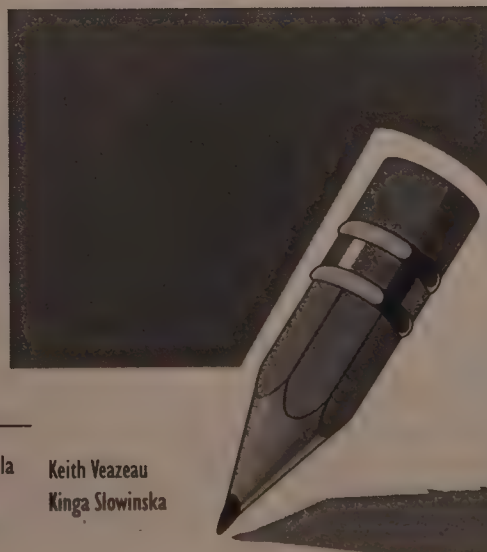
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CAMPUS NEWS

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The interest generated by the Olympiad which was held in Atlanta, Georgia, will be a never-forgotten memory for one of our Elder-Advocates. Meet Shirley Carter who was one of the 10,000 Americans who carried the flame on separate torches across the country. Shirley was a "Community Hero," chosen by the United Way after being nomi-

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I really appreciated it so I left her a note on the kitchen table before I went camping for the weekend.

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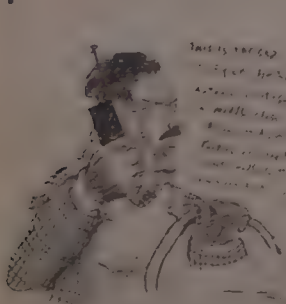
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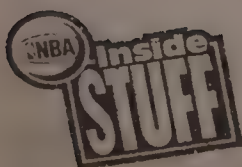
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Arts & Entertainment

Amy's Movies

Amy M. Garello
Voice Contributor

Okay, Okay so I swore I would never work for the Student Voice again. Unfortunately working for this paper is just like any other addiction. You just can't say no!!! Well you can say no, but it never sticks. It took me a total of 2 weeks to get suckered back in. This time though I am not on Work Study, I am not doing anything I have to be here for. All I am this year is your weekly movie review person. No, I am not going to go spend money at the movie theater because I am to cheap and also I can't take the time to go to the theater. What I am going to do is watch lots of rented video tapes (which I do anyway) and then share my thoughts with the WSC population. I can't really call myself a critic because I have horrible taste in movies. You also can't really call these reviews because I'm really not going to tell you about the movie. All I am going to do is tell you if it was worth renting, if I liked it and my opinion. You probably will not agree with me anyway because I find bad movies great and great movies boring. But I can at least let you know what's out there. Here is Amy's scale of review:

AAAAA Thumbs up, 5 stars, what ever you want to call it.

AAAA I think you get the point.

AAA No, it's not the car club.

AA No, not the fellowship, although after watching these you may wish you had gone to a meeting instead

A If I didn't like it you know it's bad.

Z Don't even bother if I won't even put my initial on it.

Although I haven't seen it for awhile but I am going to watch it for the 25th time very soon, "When Harry Met Sally" is my all time favorite movie. I decided to mention this one because I think anybody who has not seen it should. It stars Meg Ryan, (whom I love, other flicks with her are "Joe Versus the Volcano", "Sleepless in Seattle", and "Flesh and Bones" none of which were even half as good as this one). and Billy Crystal ("Saturday Night Live", "City Slickers", and "Forget Paris"). I'm not going to tell you details of the movie, but I will tell you it's about two people who meet and 12 years later get married. I know it sounds really boring but it is one of the funniest movies you can watch. It's a great date movie, a great alone movie, a great anytime movie. You get to see Meg Ryan fake an orgasm, and Billy Crystal sing on Karaoke machines. It's a riot. The only person I would not suggest watching this movie are the one's who are over 40 and never been married. It may depress you a bit. Oh yeah, you'll even get to see Princess Leah (Carrie Fisher). I give this movie the ultimate AAAAAA++. I know plusses were not on my scale but sometimes you just have to cheat.

Just last night I watched "Vampire in Brooklyn" for the second time. This is one of those stupid but funny movies. It was very entertaining. If you like Eddie Murphy, ("Saturday Night Live", "48 hours") this is one to see. It's one of my favorite Eddie Murphy movies since the seconds to "Beverly Hills Cop" and "48 hours". Angela Basset also stars in it ("Waiting to Exhale", "What's Love Got

To Do With It?"). It's not hard to figure out what the movie is about, but Eddie makes a great vampire. The only thing I did not like about the movie is the same thing I found wrong with "Interview with a Vampire." If Tom Cruise or Eddie Murphy wanted to make me a vampire, give me eternal life, neat powers and make it so I would not ever have to work again, I certainly would not have a problem with killing people. I think sucking their blood would be cool. Just go to the homes of Abusive parents, spouses and drug dealers. You would never go hungry again. But now I'm getting off the subject. It is a pretty funny movie and worth renting. I give it. AAA+.

Well that is enough of my rambling for one time. I will be back next week, maybe I will even let you know what a movie is about. Till then a cute one to rent: "A Pyromaniac's Love Story".

http:// www.where.am.I.???

by Mike Rafferty
Voice Staff

Besides being a mecca for useful information the WWW is full of strange, bizarre and useless sites. But if you are a fan of GODZILLA you are in luck. This site is packed full about GODZILLA, <http://www.ama.caltech.edu/users/mrm/godzilla.html> OOZE is a site that has issues like vampire role playing games, the hallucinatory effects of staying up for three days, lesser known Ben and Jerry's flavors and deathstyles of the rich and famous. <http://www.io.com/~ooze/> This is a strange and enjoyable site. <http://www.stim.com> is an other site that has links to other places and is full of toys, text and technology. This stuff you will unlikely find in other sites. <http://www.sonicnet.com> has a lot to offer like live chat rooms, concert reviews, lots of audio downloads and

"The Indie Rock Guide to Dating." This is an added feature if you are still dressing like Billy Squire and need to find a girl from the same forgotten era. Soap Opera on the net <http://www.thespot.com> is a house in Santa Monica having wild parties and a celebrity guest list. Journal entries, message boards, and photos. Like totally. If you need help on term paper Welcome to Research Assistants. They have high-quality library research reports located at <http://www.research-assistance.com> They are ready for you to receive by FAX or soon to download onto your computer. Great help during crunch time. Want to put your "two cents" in during this election year <http://www.whitehouse.gov> and Bill Clinton's E-mail address is, president@whitehouse.gov Have fun in cyber-space VELCRORAFF@aol.com

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Arts & Entertainment

New Nightclub, the Palladium, Hits Town

E.M. Loew's Recreated into Cosmopolitan Dance and Concert Hall to Serve Central New England

The Palladium, a new multi-purpose entertainment complex is scheduled to open in early October following renovations of the E.M. Loew's Theatre, at 261 Main Street in Worcester. The Palladium will feature three spectacular club nights, each with a unique theme. In addition, special events including concerts, sporting events and comedy shows will round out the jam-packed, weekly schedule. Convenient location, ample parking and Worcester's growing attraction as an entertainment destination will draw night clubbers from Worcester, Metrowest, and beyond. This impressive cosmopolitan club will fill a major entertainment void in the city and Central New England.

Renowned Interior Designers to Lead Renovations

The club's grand interior is being designed by Kevin Durand and Joanna Ciampa of Castle Magic, renowned designers of such Boston area clubs as Oxygen, Avalon, Europa, and M80. Special features include three twenty five foot video screens, live roaming cameras, laser light shows, a 2,300 square foot dance floor (the largest of its kind in New England), and a magnificent stage and balcony. The excellent acoustics and sight lines make this one of the top concert halls in the area, and with a capacity of 2,200, the Palladium will be the largest single room club in New England.

The balcony, lobby, complete with its own dance floor and bar can be closed off for use as a function facility. The room will be open to both private and corporate functions. This, coupled with the non-stop entertainment schedule, makes the Palladium the perfect neighbor to the Convention Center.

Don Law to Promote Special Events

Don Law, owner of Greater Woods, is the Palladium's exclusive booking agent. Law will attract big-name entertainment to this acoustic-rich theater and enable the Palladium to present a mix of nationally acclaimed rock, pop, and jazz artists on a weekly basis. The goals are to utilize the facility as many nights a week as possible and serve the diverse audiences of New England.

Top Nightclub Manager Sees Need for Worcester Night Life

Barrasso

"We're creating a high-energy night club experience and taking it to the next level with high-tech media and live performances," said Michael Barrasso, the general manager of the Palladium. Barrasso, who has managed many of the Boston area's high profile night clubs adds, "the atmosphere and the economy in Worcester are just right for this kind of club. This is the second largest city in New England, and the perfect location for a club of this magnitude."

Throughout his ten years of club management and entertainment consulting experience, Barrasso has operated major clubs including the Palace of Saugus, Playoffs of Boston, and most recently, Boston's hottest club, The Roxy.

Fiorillo's Club Concept

Entertainment and promotions director, Nicholas Fiorillo, is an energetic entrepreneur with a local interest. "When I left for Boston, I knew that this building had not seen the last of Nick Fiorillo," said this Shrewsbury native, a former disc jockey and a promotional planner of ClubLand. He came back with beg plans for E.M.Loew's.

There will be three club nights each week, Thursday night will be a college night with a "Circus Circus" Las Vegas theme. According to Fiorillo, this concept incorporates "a carnival atmosphere with a lot of insanity, possibly even a moon-bounce, trapeze artists, jugglers, whatever." Friday will be concert night. The management is finalizing an impressive schedule of musicians for the early months. After each concert the Palladium will transform into the dance format featuring the latest high-energy, Euro-American dance craze. Saturday, the Palladium will feature Top 40 hits and classic club music.

High-tech, multi media including laser light shows, interactive video productions and satellite down-links of special events will add dynamic dimension to the club nights whenever possible to generate the level of excitement we're looking for," Forillo adds.

In addition to the club nights, the Palladium will host concert attractions with a wide spectrum of musical interest. Major sporting events, including boxing, will intensify the agenda.

by Dave Spencer

One of the Knights Who Say Ekie, Ekie, Ekie, Ekie, Ptang, Zoowhomp Enow

Bud...Weis...Er. Pretty soon you'll be able to hear these great words while you drink a beer, because the Budweiser talking frog mugs will be hitting shelves everywhere. The mugs will cost about \$15-20.

Look for the marriage of Lois Lane and a powerless Clark Kent in November's *Superman: The Wedding Album*, from **DC Comics**. For those of you who don't know, Superman lost his powers from lack of sunlight during *The Final Night*.

Batman must face *The Long Halloween*. During this 13 issue maxi-series, Batman will witness the change in Gotham City's criminal element from mere gangsters into the costumed psychopaths that now haunt her streets.

A serial killer known only as Holiday is killing according to the calendar. This maxi-series focuses on the efforts of three men (Batman, Jim Gordon, and Harvey Dent) to stop this change in the tone of Gotham, though one is doomed to fall to it. *The Long Halloween* may rank almost as high as *The Dark Knight Returns* as a defining Batman story. The first and last issues will be in prestige format, though the rest of the series will be in a heavy miraweb format. This starts this month from **DC Comics**.

DC has always used Batman to raise consciousness about serious issues of violence in modern society. Well, they've done it again. *Batman: Death of Innocents* features the Dark Knight in a war-torn European Country. When a Wayne Enterprises Employee is killed by a mine, Batman must find and rescue that worker's daughter from the Kravian (nee Bosnian) Government.

This week's *Green Lantern* #81 features the memorial for Hal Jordan, the former Green Lantern who became Parallax. Hal Jordan died while re-energizing the sun, and destroying the sun-eater during *The Final Night*.

Vertigo will release a one-shot entitled *Preacher Special: The Story of You-Know-Who* later this month. The You-Know-Who is Arseface, whose name **Vertigo** is not allowed to use on the cover and remain a Comics Code approved book.

Look for the adventures of *Labman*, coming soon from **Image Comics**.

OUT THIS WEEK:

Dark Horse

This is a list of books scheduled to be in stores this week from Dark Horse Comics.

Grifter and the Mask #2, The Legend of Mother Sarah: City of Angels #1, Madman Comics #11, The Real Adventures of Joany Quest, Star Wars: Shadow of the Empire #6, **STORYTELLER** #1, and Tarzan #4.

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Women for Women; a man's point of view

by Ziad Al-Azem
Editor-in-Chief

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3

-CAMPUS AMBASSADORS SPAGHETTI DINNER AT 5:30 PM AT THE MINISTRY HOUSE

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4

-DR. RONALD TAKAKI WILL BE HERE FOR A LECTURE AT 10:00 AM

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5

-HAPPY REPUBLIC DAY! (PORTUGUESE HOLIDAY)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6

-MASS-7 PM IN DOWDEN HALL

MONDAY, OCTOBER 7

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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15

-LAST CALL. ADMIN AUD., 7:30 PM, FREE! TUNE IN NEXT WEEK FOR MORE EVENTS!

S P O R T S

Track and Field

City Cross Country Teams Collide In Holden

by Michael Coccozzella
Voice Staff

On this past Saturday, September 29, the cross country teams from Worcester State, W.P.I., Clark, Assumption, and Holy Cross squared off for the annual City Championships in Holden, at Biotech Park. This is always an intense, exciting race because of the intra-city rivalry that exists between the schools, not to mention the sheer number of runners involved. Forty-one men and forty-five women ran in their respective races on Saturday, the men running 5.0 miles, the women 3.1.

The Worcester State men had a spectacular day, running to second place, their best finish in this event in seventeen years. Sophomore second year runner Josh Hill, junior third year runner Chuck Farrar, and senior fourth year runner Dave Burke finished an amazing two, three, four, respectively, in the men's overall rankings (41 runners). Their respective times were 28:22, 28:31, and 28:35. Rounding out the men's

placement were Junior first year runner Dave Riley (22nd place, 32:33), Junior third year runner Aaron Silverwatch (28th place, 34:21), and Freshman Scott Richardson (35th, 35:43). This is a talented group of runners and barring injury their legs will assuredly carry the team to great heights for the next few years.

The women's team has not had such good fortune this year, as they have been decimated by injuries. Their team, however, is youthful and talented, two defining characteristics of an up and coming team. Their roster consists of Freshmen Gina Larochella (24:13 for 3.1 miles on Saturday), Jessica Martin (30:37), and Brooke Overhiser (30:37), sophomore first year runner Heather Bertram (28:33), and Senior second year runner Jessica Olsen (35:34).

Cross country has always been a fun sport to watch, and the next time the Gals and Guys run, why not cheer them on?

1. Celine Dion—"Send Me A Lover" (C+)

As Cheesy as a pizza, but on the other hand, as sweet as an apple pie. Very Celine Dionish. A love me and leave me song.

2. Jann Arden—"Insensitive" (A-)

A great song. It hits you right in the heart.

3. Sheryl Crow—"I Shall Believe" (D)

Sheryl Crow sounds constipated in this number. It's too much of a stretch for her. Sheryl, go back to the Santa Monica Boulevard.

4. Amy Grant—"Helping Hand" (D+)

An "I want to be happy and help someone in need" type song. Extremely Cheesy. Needs to be rewritten as a hymn

5. Indigo Girls—"Power of Two" (B+)

Great song. One of their best. Has already appeared of several albums including the "Boys on the Side" soundtrack.

6. Joan Osborne—"Lumina" (D+)

Try writing a song about something worth listening to...

7. Terri Clark—"Something You Should Have Said" (D)

"Yee-Haa!!!" "Giddie Up Cowboy!" (You'll understand when you hear it!)

8. Leah Andreone—"We're Not Alone" (C)

Not Bad. Not bad at all.

9. Joy Askew—"I'm Still Looking for a Home." (C-)

Belongs on the "Lion King" soundtrack.

10. Vanessa Williams—"Sister Moon" (D)

...and this one belongs on the "Dick Tracy" soundtrack.

11. Lauren Christy—"25 Back Then" (C)

Sweet. Sad, but sweet.

12. Oleta Adams—"Don't Let the Sun Go Down on Me" (B-)

A remake of the song recently done by Elton John and George Michael. She does a pretty good job.

13. Carole King—"Beautiful Natural Women Medley" (C)

A combination of a few songs. It is mellow...it is sweet...and it put me to sleep.

14. Tina Turner—"All Kinds of People" (B)

A great "feel good" song. Great pop/dance tune.

Well, over all, I would have to give this little ensemble a (C). The album seemed to have two types of songs on it. Either they were really good, "Insensitive", "Power of Two", or they were really bad: "Lumina", "I Shall Believe". I wouldn't buy the album, but I would definitely pressure a friend to buy a copy so that I would be able to record some songs off of it!



Aun the One at NCAA's

In late May, when most of you were beginning your summer vacations, Elke Aun was still hard at work representing Worcester State College at the NCAA Track & Field Championships in Naperville, Illinois. Elke's victory in the Heptathlon secured the first NCAA title for WSC in any sport.

It was quite a year for the junior from Estonia who came back strong following the 1994-95 year in which she was plagued with illness and injury. During the indoor season she broke the New England record in the 600m run with a time of 1:38.56, and the ECAC record in the 500m by running 1:17.63. These times were also bests for the year in her homeland. Elke's Pentathlon (3358) and Heptathlon (4849) scores were the best posted in New England this

year (including Division I athletes). Aun had qualified for the NCAA championship in four events; 100m hurdles, 400m hurdles, javelin, and heptathlon. Wisely, though, she chose to focus her attention on the Heptathlon as the competition was decided by a mere 43 points. Repeating as champion this year will be no easy task as seven of the top eight competitors will return in 1997.

Other awards won by Aun last year include; Eastern Magazine Outstanding performer, and GTE Academic first team All-American. Elke has currently been All-New England seventeen times, eleven times all-ECAC, and three times All-American. She holds more than twenty-five school records in indoor and outdoor track & field.

SPORTS

FIELD HOCKEY

Great Team, Not-So-Great Record

by Kinga Slowinska
Voice Staff

A record of one win and three losses is like peering into one of those image-distorting carnival mirrors for the WSC field hockey team. This group of excellent athletes always proves to be tough competition for its competitors, but in the end it's the score that affects the record.

The second week of games resulted in a loss-win-loss sandwich. Tuesday's (Sept. 24) unexpected loss (2-1) against Nichols was an enormous disappointment. Maybe there was a little under-estimation/over-confidence involved? Capt. Tara Tokarz scored the only goal with ease, but unfortunately Nichols didn't allow for any more after that. Coach Jodie Kerns believes that was the problem. "We dominated, passed well, and had the most shots on goal, but we just didn't score," emphasizes Coach Kerns. Assistant Coach Paula Peterson believes that being a newborn team is what's holding this aggressive group of athletes back. "We're a new team, everyone's good but we haven't played together long enough and aren't putting it all together," claims Asst. Coach Peterson.

So enough about the loss, let's move on to the win. After a life-threatening bus ride from hell that eventually got the team to Endicott at 4:15 p.m. for the 4 p.m. game in one piece, the girls earned a win of 2-1 for the record on Sept. 26th. Even with the short warm-up due to the delayed arrival, the team played well. "It was a slow game because of the thick grass, but the passing was good," reflects Coach Kerns. Lisa Stockdale and

Sarah Murphy scored the goals for the Lady Lancers, but a great game was had by all.

Next, comes the exciting effort of Saturday (Sept. 28) against Simmons, which painstakingly resulted in a loss of 2-1 in double overtime. Dominating but having trouble scoring once again, these Lady Lancers ran for an hour and forty minutes straight. The end of the game concluded with a tie of 1-1. At that point, there were seven players allowed on the field with no substitutions unless in response to an injury. The powerful seven included Tara Tokarz, Sarah Murphy, Nikki Dzierzak, Kinga Slowinska, Lisa Paquette, Lisa Stockdale, and goalie, Laura Graves. This was the first fifteen-minute overtime which finished with the same score. In effect, a five-minute, sudden-death, double overtime proceeded. Suddenly in the last of the five minutes, a break away was made by the Simmons team resulting in a goal. This game was extremely well played and pushed these athletes to the limit. Everyone performed amazingly well, but Simmons's superb goalie and a weakness in scoring combined to prevent a WSC win. Nevertheless, with each win and loss knowledge is gained, tailoring this team into one of impeccable quality.

Upcoming Home Games:

MONDAY, OCT. 7, AGAINST NEW ENGLAND COLLEGE (4 P.M.)
THURSDAY, OCT. 17, AGAINST FRAMINGHAM STATE. (4 P.M.)

Picks N' Stuff

Could Pro Football be Fixed?

by: Marcy Lambiras
NFL Analyst

There used to be a time when you could call a game.

The early 90's...what a glorious time for the football buff. Back then, you knew who was going to win a game. Tampa Bay traveling to San Francisco was a safe bet. Now, I couldn't pick a game to save my life.

The Broncos are leading the AFC west. The Giants beat the Vikings last weekend. I'm beginning to think pro football is fixed. When will the madness end?

In the Vikes game, Warren Moon pulled a Dave Brown in the fourth quarter: A nice lob to Phillippi Sparks. Problem is, he plays for New York. This one should have been a no-brainer. Dave Brown's paraplegic arm couldn't possibly have connected for 18 of 29...and no interceptions? And yet, it happened. OK, now it's gone too far.

I'm not watching the WWF, I'm watching the NFL, and something is wrong here. It's a scam if you ask me. But we'll all just play this little charade like nothing's ever happened. We'll call it luck; better yet, an upset.

Maybe someday, someone will bust the lid wide open on the whole undercover operation. Maybe someday...

But in the meantime, people like me will continue to pick games, continue to be wrong, continue to rationalize each loss as if it was meant to happen. It's a mad passion that we just can't shake.

Da Picks

Dolphins/Seahawks - This one is a given, even with Marino out. Since the spread is 7 and a half, I predict the 'Phins to win it by 6.

Broncos/Chargers - Just how many back-to-back games can the Broncos win?

Pats/Ravens - Both teams stink. Anything can happen here, I'm not even going to touch this one.

Bengals/Oilers - Houston hasn't been the same since Moon left. On the flip side, Cincy never even had a QB. I'm going to go out on a limb and pick Houston to win it, even with the one point.

Lions/Falcons - 10 and a half points! Detroit is a good team, but c'mon. If Atlanta loses this one by 11, then they are as bad as they look on paper. Jeff George or not, no team should be losing to the Lions by two touchdowns.

Vikings/Panthers - The Vikes lost to New York last week, and lost to the Pats two years ago, so you see, it is possible for the Panthers to win this one out-right.

Niners/Rams - Once again, the spread on a Niners game is right up there in the double-digits. Steve Young may sit this one out, but either way, this is the Rams we're dealing with. If San Fran doesn't win, this will be proof once again that Pro football is fixed.

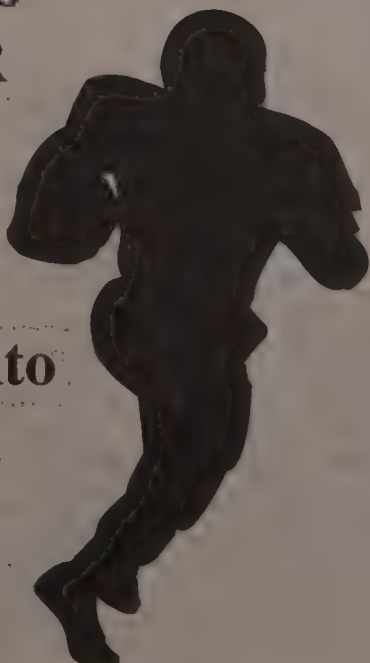
Packers/Bears - I like the Pack, but the spread on this one is 8. The Bears really aren't that bad, this game shouldn't be a blow out. You might want to take it on a parlay or a tease, where you can mess around with the points.

Raiders/Jets - I could beat the Jets with both hands tied behind my back.

Monday night game:

Cheifs/Steelers - The Steelers just ain't what they used to be. I like the Chiefs at home. The beauty of this one is, they only have to win by 4 points.

The Student Voice wishes
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Poetry Page

A Brush With Death

Jewel B. Hurtin, Oscar's Dental Hygienist
gracefully saunters into the room
A sultry fog follows behind her
Clad in a opaque uniform
Fastening the sanitary napkin snugly
around his neck
She smirks at him with favor and delight
Revealing her briary fangs for only a moment
she dons her surgical mask
The piercing gaze of her cunning blue eyes
through the plastic goggles
falls upon Oscar like a spell
There will be no Novocain today
Pulling the tray of instruments toward her
she reaches for the cleaver
...and then pauses...
Letting out a little giggle
her hand then moves over to a small hook
"Silly me! Open up, Oscar dear!" she whispers
Adjusting the bright light into his face
she draws closer
Pressing her voluminous bosom against him
she leans over and begins scraping
"Pain never felt so good!" cackles Jewel
Oscar lets out a wincing shriek
The rest was just a blur
After it was all over
Oscar got a free tooth brush
and a sparkling smile to match!

by christopher m. smith

Unfortunate Circumstance

When I look at you I see
The one whom I desire.
The one leaving me
And extinguishing my fire.

There's nothing I can do,
Except let my drain.
Longing for the days past spent with you,
The days so far from pain.

You say that I L has to be done,
Before you lose the chance
Pieces of me will be gone,
Without being in your presence.

Nights in passion's grasp,
Bodies entwined as one,
You cannot let these pass,
To forever be far gone.

The love that we share
Time could never erase
It is something so unique and so rare
Do not let it go - nothing could ever take its place.

~L.W.Y.

Antiquity

As I sat in ancient Greece
on a cold stone seat
in the amphitheatre
at the base of the Parthenon,
I thought of all religions,
the pagan times, the Jews, the Muslims,
and the branches of Christianity.
The moon was full in a star-lit sky,
and one can imagine the thrill of time and place
when a cloud formed beneath the moon,
not just a cloud, for it held a cross of black,
completely surrounded by an aura of light.
It was a spiritual experience that I had that night,
with emotional effects to always remain.
God was there for me to see
and I wondered what He had in store for me.
Who else could ever place an unusual sign,
a symbol of hope and faith in a foreign clime,
unexpected in a place from ancient time.
It was a gift to be held in memory,
a gift of love and eternal faith from my God to me.
~Ali Anora

MEXICAN DREAM PARTY by caz 96

THE BLURRED FACES OF THE
COMPADRES PLAY OFF EACH OTHER
AS THEY SIT IN OLD DUSTY CEDAR
CHAIRS ACROSS FROM EACH OTHER IN
THE CROWDED, HAZY, OUT OF FOCUS
PARTY HOPPEN ROOM...
A REGULAR FIESTA

THE SUNLIGHT BLURS
THEIR JUMPEN, JOYOUS, DRUNKEN,
STONED, IMAGES
AS WELL AS THE SOUND OF THEIR
LAUGHTER
AND THE GLARE OF THEIR
WHITER THAN WHITE SMILES

THE TWO FRIENDS
BATTLE EACH OTHER
WITHOUT LAYING A HAND
ON ONE OR THE OTHER
OR PAY MUCH MIND
TO THE REST OF THE PARTY
BECAUSE THEY PLAY A MIND GAME
IN THE WORST SENSE OF THE CLIQUE
THE MAGIC SPELLS OF FEAR
AND ILLUSION
PULSATES BETWEEN THEM
AS THEY TRY TO SCARE
THEIR SOULS OUT OF
EACH OTHERS BODIES
A SICK GAME OF DREAMONS
AND CHILDHOOD FEARS

AS ONE GRABS THE UPPER HAND
AND THE OTHER SEES HIM
GROW FANFS
SHOW CAT EYES
AND HAVE COBRAS DANCE
IN HIS HAIR

NOW, HE CATCHES THIS VISION
SHOWN TO HIM
BY HIS OPPONENT, AND HE TURNS
HIS HEAD, GLANCES AT ME AND SMILES,
AS IF HE KNOWS SOMETHING
HIS FRIENDLY FOE DOESN'T

NOW WHAT HAPPENED NEXT
I CAN'T QUITE RECALL
AND MAYBE
I CAN'T QUITE EXPLAIN IT ALL

NO MATTER WHAT THE OUTCOME
OF THIS FIGHT
IT'S NOT THE MOST FRIGHTENING
SIGHT
NO MATTER ABOUT THE REST OF THE
PARTY, OR WHAT THEY WOULD SEE
THE SCARIEST THING IS THAT
ALL THESE CHARACTERS...
ARE ME

Abandoned
children
choking
on burned lungs--

I remember
nights
we cried
for
Autumn leaves
and
no one
felt it...

fragile
voices
inside
bring me
closer
to the soft
fire
seeking--
with out
skin
or
imperfections

We have been
brought here
to the
Unkempt
Gardens
wandering
in earthly
pleasures
apart from
narrow
roads and
Mary
crying.

Breath mist
welcomed
me
to a clean
existence
when you brushed
your wet
cheek
lightly
across my
shoulder

I groped in
your
imagination
for answers--
finding
only
stranger questions
buried
deep beneath
green eyes.

I ran
behind
your soft feet
cutting
along
impoverished valleys
tripping,
breaking glass
and kicking
bottles.

I have seen
you
asleep
in the summer night
watching stars
on our backs--
light
against
rough pavement.

In your shadow
I see doves--
chasing angels

~ keith vezeau

The Belated Aaron Feuerstein Cover. See pg. 5



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Calendar

Thursday, October 10

- Happy Health and Sports Day! (Japan)
- Rocky Horror Picture Show-Cosponsored by L'Biga and RHPC-7 pm. in the Student Center

Saturday, October 12

- Happy National Day! (Spain)

Sunday, October 13

- Mass 7pm in Dowden Hall

Monday, October 14

- Happy Columbus Day! (No classes)
- Happy Thanksgiving to Canada! (Canadian Thanksgiving is today)

Wednesday, October 16

- Ski Club Bake Sale
- Campus Ministry House Pasta Supper at 6pm.

Thursday, October 17

- Campus Ambassadors Spaghetti Dinner @ 5:30 at the Campus Ministry House
 - Senior Class Jail and Bail (Student Center)
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EDITORIAL PAGE

Letter to the Editors

Dear Editor:

Just a few things I wanted to comment on. First of all I think that writing a column putting down all the Editors of the past is not a very cool thing to do. Those Editors no matter how controlling, weird or hard to work for all had one thing in common, and I believe you have it also - they were very committed to their job. The only one that I can't say had that in common was the one which you said you liked the best. Mike Smart, although a little controlling, was so committed to his job, he kept getting papers out even when it was just me and him in this office pulling out articles from everywhere just to fill the paper. And that paper was never only 8 pages long. Carolyn Given, although quirky, worked for this paper for years and should not be remembered just because she once spelt bulimia wrong. (Which I must comment the paper this year has a lot of spelling errors also.) Once it was by accident, the rest of the times was on purpose because a past Editor who almost ruined the paper and then tried to get rid of it by starting the Student Mute (he wasn't even committed to that, notice there was only one issue) gave her so much crap about spelling it wrong. At least journalism was actually something she wanted to do. The problem with this newspaper has not been the Editor's. The only problem I ever saw with the Editor's is that they don't take the time to EDIT what people pass in. One semester when Mike and Bob were Editor and Carolyn was Assistant Editor they did proof all that was passed in and there was not as many errors as there has been in the last 2 years. If you worked for a real paper, the Editor's would have all say on what is run, what is not and who did what. The problem here is that no one wants to work on real assignments or do what the Editor's tell them. They want their name in the paper but don't want any real responsibility (and I'm not putting anyone who

works for the Voice down because I am one of these people who wants to write but doesn't want to have to.) I think that you should get off your high horse and realize that the only reason you are Editor is because you sat around writing a column which no one really gives a care about until the position was open and no one else wanted to take the responsibility so they elected you. At least past Editor's knew how to write a real sentence.

Second, I came into this office and was asked to write something from the other Editor because the paper was only 8 pages long. I agreed because I wanted to help. I then read what I wrote and see the rebuttal to what I wrote and I tell you, I never wanted to write again. I do not appreciate being told to grow up. I can handle being told when I'm wrong, or criticized because I don't write very well, but when I try to do someone a favor and spend my time writing when I should be studying and then get told to grow up by someone who spends his days writing comic book columns I get a little pissed off. If you want people to write to the paper and be a part of the paper, you should not offend the people by personally slamming them. Your whole response was fine, until you said that. I'll tell you what, when you grow up, so won't I!!!

I really don't want to offend you but I do believe that you should watch what you say. I guess maybe I titled my editorial wrong and shouldn't have written Dear Editor because I was not looking for a response I was trying to let off some steam. By the way isn't WSC a State College which means our taxes also help pay in one way or another no matter what they call the source it comes from?

Third, I thought the Madonna cover was cool. It got people's interest, made them grab the paper and got some feedback. That is exactly what the paper is all about.

Amy M. Garello

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Dr. Ronald Takaki Speaks!

by David Spencer
Editor-in-Chief

Dr. Ronald Takaki came to Worcester State last week to give a lecture on multi-culturalism. President Ghosh could not attend the lecture, which he usually does, because of a prior engagement in Salem.

Prof. Donald Bullens was tapped to introduce Dr. Takaki to the room. Bullens claimed to have searched the internet for information on Dr. Takaki for his introduction.

Dr. Takaki began by adding one piece of information that Bullens did not find on the internet. Dr. Takaki claimed to have been a surfer in his youth. He maintained that he was known as "Ten-Toes Takaki."

His lecture combined humor and information into an entertaining mix.

In his lecture, Takaki called for a more multi-cultural curriculum. At his native school, Berkeley, it was voted in 1989 to add a multi-cultural requirement. This did not add any more required classes, it just made one of the required classes be multicultural in content.

He acknowledged two reasons for why this was done. The first was that it was felt that going into the next century,

students would need to better understand cultures other than their own.

The second was, and this is a widespread belief, that the United States is approaching the toughest racial crisis since the Civil War.

Students at Berkeley themselves pushed for the multicultural requirement, but were continually denied by the faculty and administration. The students demonstrated to no avail, until they occupied buildings on campus. They occupied the faculty building. They blocked the sandwich line, so that no professor could pass. According to Dr. Takaki, one conservative faculty member suggested that the students take the multicultural requirement idea, and put it into their anal passageways, though this was said in much harsher language.

During a question and answer period, Dr. Takaki put forth his belief that the classroom is the best place to learn about different cultures.

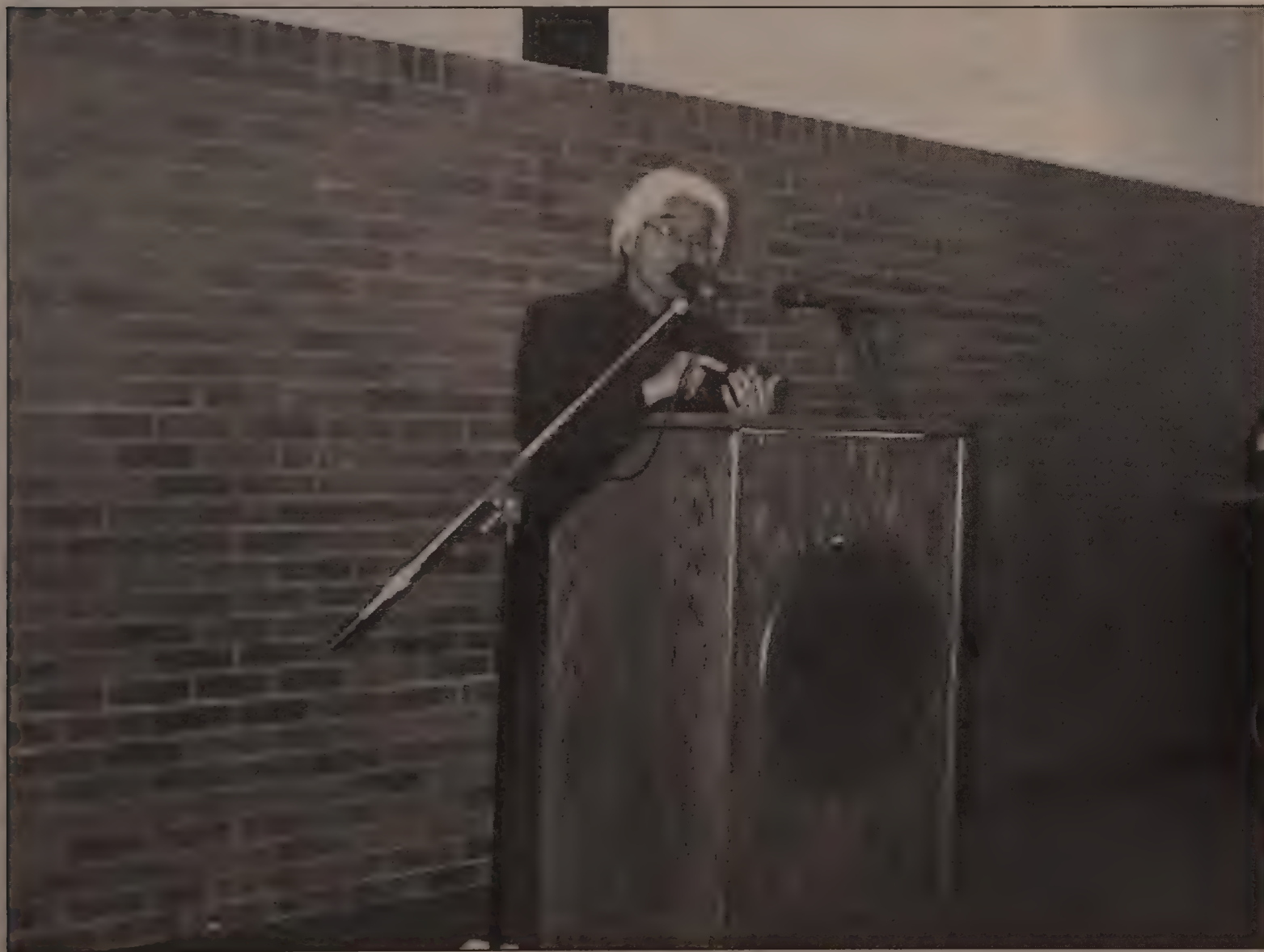
Dr. Takaki was a very interesting and entertaining speaker. At the end of his speech, the crowd rose and gave him a standing ovation. One student thought that the Office for Diversity "should invite Dr. Takaki to come back to give another lecture next year."



The Audience listens attentively to Dr. Takaki's lecture.



At right; Dr. Takaki signs copies of his books at the WSC bookstore. Below; Dr. Takaki speaks about Berkeley's switch to a more multicultural minded school.



Feuerstein: Feuerstein: Feuerstein:

Aaron Feuerstein speaks at Convocation

by Ari Herzog

Last week, hundreds of students, faculty members, and administrators of the college gathered in the Sullivan Academic Center Auditorium to witness the 1996 Fall Opening Convocation of Worcester State College. The main attraction was the guest speaker, Mr. Aaron Feuerstein, the President and Chief Executive Officer of Malden Mills Industries, Inc.

Malden Mills Industries, Inc was begun by Henry Feuerstein in 1906, which he passed to his son Samuel, who in turn passed the administration and management of the mills to his son, Aaron, who has run the textile business at the mills for over four decades. The company holds patents on Polartec and Polarfleece; they hold a niche in the market for specialty-knitted outerwear and sportswear with multi-million dollar sales to mail-order companies like Lands End, L. L. Bean, and Patagonia. Worldwide sales in 1995 were in excess of \$404 million dollars, with pretax earnings of nearly \$20 million dollars. During the peak times of the year, the company produced about 1.8 million yards of high-quality textiles and dyed 700,000 yards of Polartec a week!

Aaron Feuerstein grew up and

still lives in Brookline, Massachusetts with his wife, Louise. They have two sons, Daniel and Raphael, and a daughter, Joyce; their son-in-law David Greenberg assists the Feuerstein family in working for the company. Feuerstein graduated from the Edward Devotion School in Brookline in 1939, the Boston Latin School in 1943, and by 1947, received his B.A. from Yeshiva University. His civic duties include acting Treasurer of his synagogue, the Young Israel of Brookline. Over the past year, Feuerstein has received honorary degrees from institutions including Middlebury College, Boston University, Merrimack College, and Yeshiva University. He is also a recipient of the Emma Lazarus Award of the American Jewish Historical Society.

Feuerstein is infamously known for his courage, devotion and loyalty to the 3100 workers of the various mills situated on the 28-acre complex on the Lawrence/Methuen town line when an erupting fire erupted on the night of December 11, 1995. The fire, still being investigated for its cause, destroyed four of the five mills on the complex. Only the fifth mill, known as Finishing 2, was partially destroyed. Yet, the partial damage to this single, remaining, manufacturing-unit mill led Feuerstein to be the hero and savior he now is.

After witnessing the devastation caused by the conflagration, Feuerstein echoed a line from Shakespeare's King Lear, declaring, "No, I'll not weep." And he did not weep, but steadfastly held on to his ideals and morals, and voiced his opinions against those of his shareholders and his board of directors. Everyone felt the mills were gone for good; the 70-year old President of the Company disagreed.

The mills existed in the destitute section of town, where many of Feuerstein's workers lived in the ghetto and ate in the soup kitchens. When the fire struck, the people of Lawrence and Methuen rallied around Feuerstein. When he announced his intentions on continuing to pay his workers for at least ninety days without work, the people cheered him on. And when the mills were in the process of being rebuilt, Feuerstein was idolized and admired.

Aaron Feuerstein spoke from his heart at the convocation ceremony; of how the fire erupted, of his workers who never doubted him and he never doubted his workers, of his choice to compensate his workers when what seemed like the whole world told him not to.

Prior to Feuerstein's remarks, Mark Goldberg, Chair of the Board of Trustees at WSC and Dr. Kalyan Ghosh, President of



WSC Board of Trustees Chair Marc Goldberg, and President Ghosh flank speaker Aaron Feuerstein.

WSC, conferred the honorary degree of Honoris Causa, or Doctor of Humane Letters to Aaron Feuerstein, as a testimony to his generosity and charity in the face of despair and isolation, the challenge every human should surpass.

Office Of Diversity Offers Help For All

By Christopher M. Smith
Voice Staff

Edna Spencer is the Director of the Office of Diversity and the Affirmative Action Officer for Worcester State College. Edna works hard to facilitate grievances on campus as well as linking WSC to the larger community. The Office of Diversity offers, sponsors and supports various cultural events on campus where people can get exposure to cultures that they may not usually have that exposure to. Organizations such as L' BIGA, Third World Alliance and others work in conjunction with Edna to help maximize the potential for their goals and to network with others. Edna's primary responsibilities include her ensuring people's civil rights and bringing that process to the full extent of the law if necessary. Sexual harassment, discriminations and hate crimes are just a few examples of a breach of people's civil rights. Edna protects the confidentiality and the integrity of both the accused and the accuser. Getting to the truth of the matter, providing options for people and doing an investigation if the situation warrants it are all part of her job. Many times the problem is a misunderstanding that can be resolved without a legal process being initiated. Edna tries to have a win/win situation on an informal basis that causes as little pain to both parties as possible. Many times there is some level of pain on one or both sides that cannot be avoided and Edna is prepared for that as well.

"Diversity simply means different" states Edna. "People need to feel a sense of trust when they are sharing tender issues with others. I try and help to promote that and to comfort and stabilize the person as much as possible so that we may get the root of the problem all that much easier." The Affirmative Action aspect of Edna's job entails assisting people to have a safe and comfortable environment for work, study and advance. Diversity and cultural sharing and experience aid in enhancing the educational process not only in the classroom but in life in general.

Edna says "Multiculturalism is people of different cultures living, working and existing together in harmony. When people begin trying to understand one another and overcoming fears and barriers then the overall community benefits greatly and people can get down to the business of living." In addition to her conventional duties, Edna sits on various boards and committees in the community at large in hopes of furthering her endeavors to helping others make positive choices in their lives. Some of these organizations include The City Manager's Strategic Planning Committee, The Affirmative Action Committee For Worcester Public Schools and The Police Chief's Community Advisory Committee. There is also The State's Affirmative Action Offices Committee and a number of boards for non-profit agencies. "I would like to see the community we live in reflected in the faculty and staff here at WSC" says Edna.

If you feel that your civil rights have been violated and you need someone to talk with the Office of Diversity is an option for you. Edna is there to help in any way that she can and will make her best effort to accommodate any concerns that you may have about confidentiality. She is also available to give seminars on sexual harassment upon

request. Kathleen Healy is the Secretary for the Office of Diversity and she will be happy to receive your call at 793-8000 x.8117. The office is located in room 302A and is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

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PBJ Benefit Homeless

On October 1, over 18 students made Peanut Butter and Jelly sandwiches to bebefit homeless shelters, as part of a hunger and homeless education program. The event took place during the busy lunch hour in the student center next to the Pizza Hut and Burger King store.

"The purpose of the PBJ Benefit was to raise awareness about homeless problems here in the Worcester Area, and to provide students with an easy

way to get involved with something that will make a difference," stated Corinne Grosky, organizer of the event. Approximately 240 PBJ sandwiches were made by students.

The PBJ Benefit was the first in a series of events that are intended to raise awareness and get students involved in homeless issues here in Worcester. The next event is the "Sleepout for the Homeless" which will raise money for a local shelter, and will take place on October 23.

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The Comic Strip

By Dave Spencer
The Keeper of the Bridge of Death

There ain't gonna be any news this week.

OUT THIS WEEK:

Dark Horse Comics

This is a list of

books scheduled to be in stores this week from Dark Horse Comics.

Dark Horse Presents #114, Gunsmith Cats: The Return of Gray #3, Insider #11, Predator: Dark River #4, and Star Wars: Tales of the Jedi-The Golden Age of the Sith #1.

DC Comics

This is a list of books scheduled to be in stores this week from DC Comics.

Adventures of Superman #541, Animaniacs #20, Azrael #24, Batman #537, Green Arrow #115, Impulse #20, Legionnaires #43, Lobo/Demon: Hello we're #1, Nightforce #1, New Gods #13, Sovereign Seven #17, Supergirl #4,

Superman/Wonder Woman: Whom Gods Destroy #1, and Tempest #2.

Helix Comics

This is a list of books scheduled to be in stores this week from Helix Comics.

The Black Lamb #2, and Bloody Mary #3.

Milestone Media

This is a list of books scheduled to be in stores this week from Milestone Media.

Static #42.

Vertigo

This is a list of books scheduled to be in stores this week from Vertigo Comics.

The Books of Magic #31, Essential Vertigo: The Sandman #5, House of Secrets #3, and Preacher Special: The Story of You-Know-Who #1.

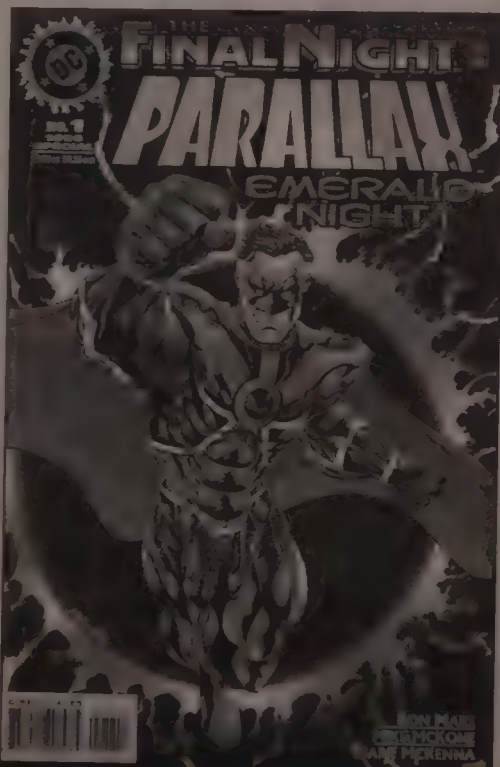
THE BACK ISSUE BIN



Parallax: Emerald Night #1

Publisher: DC Comics
Writer: Ron Marz
Pencils: Mike McKone
Inks: Mark McKenna
Wizard Guide Value: \$2.95

Before you say anything, yes I know that this book just came out. But that doesn't not make it a great issue. In this story, Parallax chases down the Cyborg, who destroyed his home town of Coast City. He is thereafter found by Green Lantern, after the Sun-Eater devours the sun. Hal Jordan must then decide whether to help his former allies save the planet Earth, or let the Earth die, and forever remain a villain. His quest to decide takes him to all of his friends, each of whom he tries to make peace with. His final decision leads into the Final Night #4, which becomes the defining moment for Hal Jordan.



Feast Your Ears On WSCW

by Michael Cocozzella
Staff Reporter

Tell me folks, what can possibly be cooler than having your own radio show? That's right!!! Nothing!!!! That's why each Worcester State student involved with WSCW, the campus radio station, is so psyched to be there. They all share a common thread: They love radio and music. If you love radio and music like they do, and have ever dreamt of becoming a radio disc jockey, then this is paydirt, dude. WSCW is a place where your lofty dreams of becoming one begin. Once you get a time slot, WHAMMO!!! You are a genuine, certified disc jockey, no questions asked!!! You want more? You are the master of your own show, a dictator so to speak.

Whatever you want to do, you do.

That autonomy granted DJ's with their shows is the one aspect of WSCW they enjoy most. Anyone who has ever done a broadcast can tell you that it is wonderfully therapeutic. Time slots run anywhere from 50 minutes to two hours, and during that time a WSCW disc jockey plays his or her favorite music, reads the news, vents about the weather, politics, school...you name it! Yours truly has a few shows and they are the most fun I've ever had (besides writing for the newspaper).

I know what you're going to ask..."What

kind of music will I hear over WSCW...?" The answer is... Anything You Want. Day in, day out, WSCW's mix is a smorgasbord of music unmatched in its diversity by any radio station in existence. Mike Cocozzella (me) specializes in music from the fifties and sixties, from Elvis to the Beach Boys to anyone else you favor from that era. Manny Gomez, the treasurer, reaches out to the WSC Latino population with his own Latino show, where he plays, you guessed it, Latino music. Mike Doldo specializes in Classic Rock from the 1970's. Other brands of music heard on WSCW are Grunge, Punk, Alternative Punk, Christian Chants, Disco, Reggae... Feast your ears on that!!

As many of you may know by the huge banner that hangs over the front entrance of the student center, WSCW is going FM shortly. When it does, you will be able to hear it anywhere within the boundaries of the perimeter of the school. This includes the parking lot, dorms, and anywhere else you can find a radio. At this point only the student center picks up the signal, so you are encouraged to spend as much of your day as possible in there. Just kidding. You don't have to do that, but it is certainly worth your while to tune in on the fun. Better yet, you can go to the station personally to see what the fun is all about. There are about 25 WSCW DJ'S who are happy they did.

Amy's Movies

Amy M. Garello
Voice Contributor

Okay, so I didn't actually watch any movies this week after I told you I always do. Well did watch one but it really isn't appropriate to review in the voice. I did however watch lots of TV and I thought that I would write about that. One thing I regret most in my life is that as an adolescent I had tons of time on my hands and I turned into a TV junkie. I would come home from school, turn on the tube and watch soap operas and all the stupid sitcoms you could think of. (Actually those were the days that they showed reruns of awesome shows like "All in the Family", "Three's Company", and "Carol Burnette.") I would then eat dinner and fly back to the living room to keep on watching until bedtime. It was my whole life. I actually threw a fit once because my family wanted to watch "Rudolph" when "Laverne and Shirley" was on. Talk about not having a life. Well anyway, nothing has changed. Now I skip studying, make myself late for school and work, and fail tests just because I can't unpeel my eyes from the screen. I almost declared war when they switched Guiding Light to 10:00am. not to mention when NBC and CBS switched channels.

On the bright side there are some awesome shows out there. Thank god the good ones returned. One of my favorites, "Ellen", is back. She is such a whiner. I love her. Paige is my favorite character and the show

makes me laugh more than most. "Grace Under Fire" has also returned. I still think it is great. I can't believe Libby has gotten so big. "Seinfeld" is as good as ever. I can't believe they killed off Susan. I totally thought it was a joke. I got to watch the season premiere of "ER". God, I love that show. If you don't watch it, you should start. It's really good. Last night I watched "Law and Order." I decided that I really liked it. Now for the surprising ones. One actress I have always hated is Brooke Shields, but her new show "Suddenly Susan" is actually pretty good. It will take some time for them to make their roles believable but I do believe it has potential. I can't believe Judd Nelson is on a sitcom. The other actress I haven't liked since "The Breakfast Club" is Molly Ringwald. I was actually shocked that I like her new sitcom "Townies". I laughed through the whole episode last night. The other thing I liked is that it is set in Gloucester.

Well actually that's all the TV watching I've been doing lately. My life has actually gotten to busy to watch TV. My new puppy Zeus makes it hard to do anything but sit outside saying "Go Pee."

Oh, by the way, "Guiding Light" fans — Does anyone know what happened to Vanessa? Did she die already or take off or what. Could someone please let me know.

Till next week when I will actually be able to review a movie from the theatre. I'm going this weekend, not sure what I will see.



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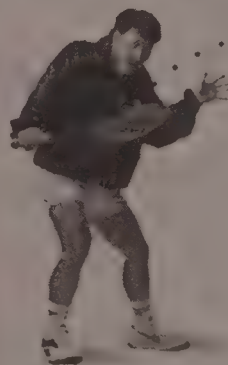
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Poetry Page

Angry, Angry, Angry Nuts

The cashews grew tired of being portrayed
as the snobs of the nut world
The beer and cocktail nuts rallied together
with the almonds and the pistachios
Sodium, their elected leader, rolled up
to the podium
The renegade walnut raised his battle ax
"We're not going to take it anymore!"
The crowd cheered and began chanting
"Cashews must die! Cashews must die!"
The salty little goblins laughed wildly
as they descended upon Cashew Castle.
A mote of caramel surrounded the fortress
Lots of sticky nuts...not a pretty sight
The cashews were few in number but
the pretzels were on their side
Somewhere a frustrated traffic light
attempts to overcome its fear of change
Red, red, red, yellow... "Yes!" Red, red... "No!"
But that's not important right now
The nuts...what of the nuts?
After the smoke had cleared
All parties involved could be seen
rejoicing and playing games
They celebrated their uniqueness
and they found common ground as well
They all agreed to be *rooney* roasted
So remember that...uh...ell you know
Impoverished *artichokes* and stuff like
"Wet Paint" means you too, right Pal?

Christopher M. Smith

The Acropolis by Moonlight by Ali Anora

Tonight, in the moonlight, I visit the Acropolis.
Polished granite slabs pave the way,
on a road that is worn to a polished sheen
by the footsteps of time.

The way to the Acropolis today is trod
by tourists from every corner of the world.
Just as the sounds of ancient times
were a plethora of foreign tongue,
and commerce for a seaport city
today, the same crowds with threads
of common stock will weave their way.
on a road continuing from the past to the future.

The sacred buildings from pagan times,
in the moonlight *now* crumbled remains
presenting a grandeur from the ancient past.
could they speak and tell us of that road,
of the many tales which traveled on that way?
I wonder at the many famous men
who planned and built the wondrous stronghold,
with its beautiful, impressive view.

A LOVE AT THE DOOR (to you, mine)

It's a hardly a time
since my love and i parted
and yet my heart
is heavy with longing

the pain of living
without him, my love
has she ever loved
who never missed her sweetheart

no, i cannot stand it no more
the sorrow i carry in my heart
weighs heavier and heavier
till my feet, joints ache

and i can sell my fortune
for a glimpse of that lovely face again
i can betray the oath
and auction the kingdom to come

i gaze out the window
recount the episodes of childhood
when mother was away
and the wind carried the scents of mango

"come in" i shout
yet no one has knocked
it it little cupid
at his crafty games again

i pick up "The Exorcist," flip a leaf
"...and she doesn't believe me"
sticks in my dry throat
will my day-long depression now lift

I put the novel down
turn to the typewriter
"to be thus is nothing
to be thus is nothing to
be thus....

knock!knock!knock!
(from me, yours)
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temples bles-sed by their gods
were later blessed by Christianity.
Polished are the stones on the road
many have trod on steep incline,
and tonight, majestic Acropolis, you are mine.

Will renaming an illness make it
A new problem? Compare horse to
Horse. Each has been led.
Drink untainted water, you humans, if
Sewage will remain sewage.
If led to it, would the horse drink?
Led by logic to compare a horse
To a fallacy like the letter "a,"
It won't, it will, it won't, it will.

by Donana Applebaum

The Adventures of Jack Dagg

by Claudio Salazar



This issue is a simple, brief introduction to our hero, Jack Dagg, or simply "The Man" as his friends call him.



Like all of us, Jack Dagg has a past; he was a guy who did time for his past blunders... on his own way... wandering the country to and fro for 3 years...



... handling disturbing jobs of Employment; not even making Ends Meet...



...for a while, he made his living by breaking all sorts of bizarre world Records



He was the first person ever to build an entire house out of playing cards.



Then, for a while he impressed people by his stunt of staying in and old building during the middle of its demolition



One time it was reported that he actually lived in a 24 hour a day sports bar for 3 months by continually eating their buffet.

Next issue: you can probably find out more on Jack Dagg

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Field Hockey

by Kinga Slowinska
Voice Staff

The record is now 2-5! Why doesn't WSC's field hockey club win some games? The question of the year! From an extremely talented group of individuals one would expect more victories. Well, I could ramble on with these unanswerable questions but I'll spare you.

So the week of October 1-7 brings yet another triplet of twin losses and a single win. Tuesday (Oct. 1), the aspiring Lady Lancers squashed Regis College at home 3-1! First, Capt. Tara Tokarz ran out of the nurse's office, onto the field, and scored the first goal of the game for WSC out of no where. Next, was Speedy Stockdale to put a double layer of security on the WSC win and last, a beautiful shot was made on goal by a new comer to the scorer's circle this season, Erin Cohen. Although this resulted in a win for the Lady Lancers, there really wasn't any critical demand to pull together. "We played at an average level in this game," tersely states Coach Jodie Kerns in reflection on the Regis game.

The next game was Saturday (Oct. 5) away at UMass Dartmouth which resulted in a loss of 2-0. The WSC field hockey team was hopeful for a win against this great hockey school, but were prepared for a challenge. This was a gallant effort by the Lady Lancers, preventing the Dartmouth group from scoring throughout almost the entire

first half. "We played to our potential, but the Dartmouth team out-played us; they have great skill," blatantly, but truthfully, comments Coach Kerns.

Finally, to pour some salt on the multiple wounds and to add to the mystery of why this great team loses to teams they should crush, WSC lost to New England College on Oct. 7th with a score of 3-2 in overtime. "We always do excellent in the first half, and in the second half we go down hill," remarks goalie, Laura Graves. Sarah Murphy swiftly scored the first two goals providing an imaginary sense of security for the Lady Lancers. Then, before the end of the "what seemed to be 19-hour" first half, NEC scored. This didn't phase the WSC, but suddenly a penalty stroke put the game into overtime with a tie of 2-2: Needless to say, NEC scored to win in OT 3-2. There was no comment from Coach Kerns after this disappointing loss.

There is always the optimistic outlook, no state college games have been lost yet. Will the Lady Lancers ever attain a record that truthfully reflects their remarkable ability? The suspense is unbearable!! *Come watch the next home games on Thursday (Oct. 17) against Framingham State at 4p.m. and Saturday (Oct. 19) against Western New England College at 11a.m.*



Photos By: Marcy Lambiras



Food Fuel and Top Sports Performance

This is the first in a series of articles on sports nutrition

by Colleen Daly, MS, RD
Nutritionist, Daka Food Service

Do you know the most overlooked dietary performance aid for athletes? If you guessed carbohydrates you are wrong. Hint: it's abundant and it's usually free. That's right, it's water.

If you are using thirst as a guide for the amount of water to consume you may not be getting enough, leading to impaired athletic performance. Thirst is a sign that you are already dehydrated. The body's ability to detect thirst is blunted when exercising.

So just why is fluid so important? Water is necessary to produce sweat. When sweat evaporates from the skin heat is released. This releases the built up heat muscles have made exercising. In addition, water is the main component of blood. Blood of course carries oxygen and nutrients to muscles. So when water is lacking blood volume and blood flow decrease and less oxygen, nutrients and electrolytes reach those hard work-

ing muscles. It makes sense then that at this point you would start to have muscle cramps or feel weak and nauseous.

How much liquid is enough? The following are the minimum amounts.

*Two hours before exercising: 1-2 cups

*Just prior to exercising: Ω -1 cup

*Every 15-20 minutes during exercise: Ω -1 cup. Don't wait till you're thirsty.

*After exercising for quickest recovery: 1-2 cups

*Include fluids as part of your regular daily pattern with and between meals

*Weigh yourself without clothes before and after exercise to determine the amount of fluid lost. This will tell you how much fluid needs to be replaced after exercising. For every pound lost drink two cups of liquid. A loss greater than 1% of body weight indicates dehydration. A 2% loss can impair performance and temperature control.

*Check the color of your urine. A dark

color may indicate dehydration.

feeling and helps to avoid stomach cramps. A maximum intake of 3 ° cups of fluid/hour is recommended. This is the maximum amount of liquid the stomach will empty/hour during exercise.

Cool water is the fluid of choice unless you are exercising more than one hour with continuous effort or one hour several times a day. If so, a sports drink such as Gatorade may be helpful for the additional calories and electrolytes such as sodium, chloride and potassium.

Much more sodium than potassium is lost in sweat. The loss of sodium and chloride in exercise lasting one hour or less is generally small. Sodium loss can be significant in continuous exercise lasting more than two hours and depending upon the amount of sweat produced. A two pound loss from sweat [measured by pre and post exercise weighing] contains one gram of sodium which can be replaced just by moderate salt-

ing of foods. One half of a teaspoon of salt contains 1 gram of sodium. Avoid salt tablets as they irritate the stomach lining and increase the need for water. Potassium depletion during heavy exercise is rare and can usually be avoided by regularly eating good sources of potassium such as oranges, bananas, potatoes, tomatoes and milk products.

A sports drink should contain 6-8% carbohydrates and 60-80 calories/cup. A drink that contains more than 8% carbohydrates such as fruit juice, soda and concentrated fructose drinks slows emptying of the stomach. This can cause a bloated feeling and slow fluid uptake, abdominal cramps and diarrhea. Alcohol and caffeine should be avoided when training, due among other reasons, to their diuretic effect.

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The Sports Corner

by Michael Coccozzella
Voice Staff

Unless you have been living under a rock for the last couple of weeks, you know about the incident where Baltimore Orioles second baseman Roberto Alomar spit in the face of an umpire and then made comments about the umpire's late son. In Hollywood there is a saying that there is no such thing as bad publicity. The thinking is that even bad publicity brings mass exposure to the director, actor, or film in question, and there is nothing more important in generating revenue than mass exposure. These may be words to live by in Tinsletown, but they certainly are not in Major League Baseball. Alomar has deservedly been vilified in the press, and now rivals Cleveland Indians left fielder Albert Belle as baseball's official bad boy. The astonishing thing is that Alomar has not missed any playing time for his shameless behavior. One day after the spitting incident, with two games to go in the regular season and the Orioles' playoff hopes hanging in the balance, Alomar was suspended for five games by American League President Gene Budig. The suspen-

sion did not apply to the playoffs. Alomar appealed it, and that night propelled the Orioles into the playoffs with a tenth-inning, game-winning homerun against the Toronto Bluejays. Alomar dropped his appeal before the first game of the playoffs, and was summarily handed a suspension for the first five games of next season. This amounts to a paid spring vacation for him. The Orioles have since ousted the defending American League Champion Cleveland Indians from the first round, three games to one. Alomar was insurmountable in the series, playing sparkling defense and hitting a series-clinching homerun in the 12th inning of the last game. Why has this man been allowed to continue playing? He engaged in the most despicable on or off field behavior baseball history has ever seen, and has gotten away with it. What kind of lesson are youngsters taught when a player spits in an umpire's face one night, and hits a game-winning, playoff spot-clinching homerun the next? Is that really good for the game? It appears team owners erased baseball's code of conduct when they usurped the Commissioner back in 1993. Former Commissioner Faye Vincent cared about the game of baseball. He had it's best

interests in mind. The owners, meanwhile, had in mind the best interests of their wallets. It was a case of clashing priorities, and the owners won out. That is why they deposed him and now rule baseball with impunity, and their selfish greed is responsible for widespread fan disenchantment which dates back to the cataclysmic player strike of 1994, the biggest black eye the sport has endured since the 1919 Black Sox scandal. Owners, citing spiraling player salaries that made it difficult to stay solvent, wanted to institute a salary cap, which limited each team's payroll to a set, manageable figure. The players obviously didn't want this, so they sat out the last fifty games of the season. The strike extended into the playoffs and the World Series, marking the first time in 90 years that a World Series was not played. Both sides can take much blame for this horrendous debacle, but the important thing is that the strike was the worst thing that could have happened to baseball. You talk about bad publicity. Fans being deprived of their game is bad P.R., too. Numerous teams still suffer strike fallout, namely fan boycotts of games, resulting in dismal attendance figures. You will see at least two

teams with major financial problems move to new cities by 1998. Even with the portent of disaster hanging over their heads, team owners have been working hard since 1994 to further alienate fans, engaging in dastardly activities ranging from selling off star players to save money to raising ticket prices. Owner greed is wrecking baseball. The owners have allowed Roberto Alomar to participate in the playoffs because of that game-wrecking greed, which is also the reason we have a three-tiered playoff system. Alomar, one of baseball's best players, puts fans in the seats, so what would be the point of suspending him from games that were instituted for the purpose of generating extra revenue for the players and teams? Sure, Roberto Alomar's antics have given baseball yet another black eye it does not need, but the owners' indifference towards the situation makes a black situation blacker, and all the more unseemly. It sets a horrible example for the young patrons of the game, who, as they get older, would be baseball's next revenue generating fanbase. My guess is that these children's parents will encourage them to engage in more gentlemanly pastimes.

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by Michael Coccozzella
Voice Staff

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Trey Pizzetti on the interception



Tony Depero looks for his next sack



Mike Paladino and Derrick Murphy on the fumble recovery

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By: Marcy Lambiras
Sports Editor

The Lancers stopped off at UMass for a quick ass-whipping on the road to the NEFC championship.

There's a saying: Bad things keep getting worse. That's exactly what happened to the Beacons on Saturday. They were allowed a mere 102 yards, while the Lancers cruised 490 yards of UMass turf.

The Beacons met Ron Palumbo in the first quarter as he blasted through them on a 70 yard punt return. This, just seconds after running a Caputo pass into the zone.

UMass responded to the tune of a touch-down in the second quarter, in what would be the first and last attempt at salvation. Their unsuccessful PAT left the score 14-6 at the half.

After the half-time bonanza, QB Jeff Caputo got things rolling by running the ball 39 yards - straight into the end zone.

By the fourth quarter, Worcester was ahead 21-6, but scored another 28 points just to let UMass know who was who.

With Caputo's arm still on vacation from the third, final touchdown runs were scored by Todd Daskowski, Matt Burden, Robb Kerr, and Matt Chandler, bringing the final

damage total to 49-6. UMass never knew what hit them.

The Lancers have yet to lose a game this year. At 4-0, they are ranked second in New England and have one of the best defensive teams in the nation. Their next victim will be the Falcons, who are coming to town on the 12th.

Fitchburg's head coach, Chris Nugai, is a former Yale coach who graduated from Worcester State in 1992. He goes with a 4-3 defense and places strong emphasis on the special teams.

Fitchburg is 0-4 on the season, coming out of a 37-14 loss to Bridgewater. They'll have a tough time penetrating the Lancer defense, whose opponents have been averaging less than 4 points a game. UMass Dartmouth was held to just 3 rushing yards on their last Worcester State encounter. Maine Maritime was slotted at #1 in the pre-season rankings but was held to minus yardage during their visit to Worcester.


Upcoming home games include Fitchburg, Saturday at 1:30 and Westfield State on Homecoming day - October 26 1:30.

Why Green Beans on the cover? Ask BACCHUS(the organization, not the god) or see pg. 5



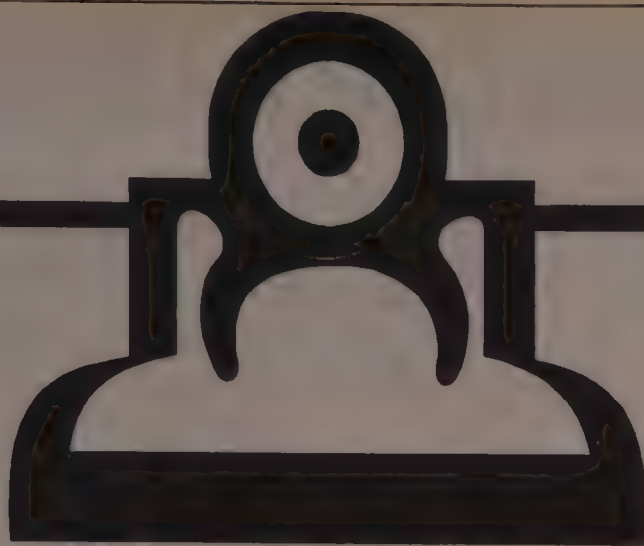
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Green Beans





CALENDAR

Thursday, Oct. 17

- Spaghetti Dinner at 5:30 at Campus Ministry House
- Senior Class "Jail and Bail"

Friday, Oct. 18

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Saturday, Oct. 19

- Campus Ambassadors trip to Quabbin

Tuesday, Oct. 22

- Lonise Bias at Holy Cross

Thursday, Oct. 24

- Spaghetti Dinner at 5:30 at Campus Ministry House

Friday, Oct. 25

- Homecoming Weekend!!

-pep rally at 5pm

-SEC beach party at 6pm

Saturday, Oct. 26

-Happy National Day!! (Australia)

-Women's soccer at 10am

-Field Hockey at 11am

-Volleyball at 11am

-Football at 1:30pm

Monday, Oct. 28

-October Bank Holiday (Ireland)

-SEC hosts THE WARRENS (real ghostbusters) in the blue lounge

Wednesday, Oct. 30

-Robert Santiago speaks at 10am in the SC Auditorium

-Campus ministry pasta supper @ 6pm in the Ministry House

Thursday, Oct. 31

-Happy Halloween!!

-Spaghetti Dinner at 5:30 at Campus Ministry House

-Halloween Party in OLP

Opinion/Editorial

The Soapbox

Nice Guys of the World, Unite!

It has been brought to my attention that those of us who are nice guys do, in fact, finish last. Nowhere is this more evident than in the area of male/female relations, or dating.

Rarely will you see a pretty woman on the arm of a nice guy, often we are called "special friends." Is it possible that nice guys are doomed to be outcasts in society?

The answer is to this is no. We can model ourselves like the hulking ubermensch who continue to have women swoon about them like a Louie Anderson and a "Big Mac."

We must lose the trappings of "Niceosity." This means we must always never listen to anything that doesn't involve some sort of percentage.

Also, we must always act like slobbering Neanderthals around the object of our affection whenever another attractive woman walks by.

Next, we must behave much like a petulant child, and take what we want, without concern to others.

Nice guys must also lower their grades by blowing off classes. The lower grades will be offset by not finishing college!

We must forego the use of our language skills. This means no words longer than two syllables. Most words used should be the words "um...."

We must never try to hold the door for

the girl. Such things will always be viewed as "nice," thus blowing your cover.

We must always say that we will do something, then go to a baseball game instead.

Most importantly, we must always, always, always, refer to women as girls.

Wait a minute.....why should we change? We're not the problem here. All we've done is be nice.

I once heard someone say that "A man marries a woman, expecting that she will never change, a woman marries a man expecting that he will." This is true. Men tend to get set in their ways, and after the age of 20, rarely change them. Women continue to grow throughout their entire life.

Y'know, we nice guys should unite. We can be a union! We can be the Nice Guys of America. this is our first public statement.

We, the Nice Guys of America, have decided that from this point on, we will continue to be nice, even though it makes it tough to meet women. We will always uphold our end of an agreement, even though this appears to be unattractive. And we will try not to be late for dinner.

David Spencer
Editor-in-Chief

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Political

A Natural look at the "Natural Law" Party

by Keith Vezeau
staff reporter

Sure, we have all heard about the Democratic and Republican Parties but what about the "Natural Law" Party? If this is the first you've heard then don't worry. You may even ask your self... "What is 'Natural Law' anyway and what, if anything, does it have to do with politics!? Just last Friday I had the privilege of finding out. As most of you know (or should know) there will be a Congressional election on Nov. 6, and Dale Friedgen, who represents Natural Law, is running for the 3rd District seat in Congress.

The Natural Law Party was created in April of 1992 as a grass roots organization dedicated to promoting "prevention orientated government". The basic premise of "prevention orientated government" is that of preventing societal problems before they start or get out of hand. Dale Friedgen says that this "new breed" will elevate politics to a new height; past inter-party mudslinging to a level of discussion where real issues can be dealt with in a civil manner. Dale Friedgen expressed his distaste

in traditional politics by quoting Thomas Jefferson: "If I had to go to Heaven in a political party, I'd rather not go." He says this from the point of view that political parties have become so entrenched in power that they [political parties] in turn, alienate themselves from the people whom they are supposed to represent. The Natural Law party wants to be the party for the people.

Dale Friedgen believes that third party candidates should have equal access to the ballots as do the majority parties. This in turn will give voters greater choice in terms of voting and eliminate the "lesser of two evils" phenomenon. Actually that brings us to the "lesser of three evils" phenomenon. Dale believes these campaigns should be shorter and publicly funded in order to "level the playing field" with regard to publicity. Yes, I realize third parties have limited funding but I'll be damned if my tax dollars (when I start paying them) go to any candidate whom I feel is unfit for office.

In terms of "prevention", The Natural Law Party desires to implement pro-

grams that attack the root cause of problems in our society. In terms of crime, for example, the emphasis will be placed on better education, personal development, and reform instead of tougher prison sentences. As for education, The Natural Law Party is seeking to develop a "Department of Education Excellence" whose mission will be to seek out as well as implement the latest in educational advancements. These advancements include the full utilization of the "Head Start program" as well as requirements for a higher degree of nutrition in school lunches.

The Natural Law Party explores these and many other preventative measures with a very scientific approach. Dale Friedgen claims that prevention should be based on proven scientific technology. (I am still trying to come to terms with what that technology actually is.) Dale Friedgen says this technology stems from the principles of transcendental meditation. (For all you English majors, think "Survey of American Literature I" and you'll know what I mean). So far as I know, Transcenden-

tal meditation means that you sit on a mountain, stare at a pine tree, and contemplate your place in life through nature. If this sounds off beat to you, you're not alone. Their philosophy states that "Individual life and governmental functioning should be in line with the basic laws of nature that support our galaxy and keep the planets in motion all the way down to molecules and sub atomic particles." I'm seriously not making this up. Any way, this theory supposedly will eliminate stress, drug abuse, crime, and domestic violence. This program even claims that one might be able to "live ones life with out problems and with out mistakes". Sounds good to me. The closest approximation to that I think would be God. With regard to man, Jesus died almost 2000 years ago. I have yet to find a replacement.

If you have any questions (which I hope you do), you should call Dale Friedgen at (508) 422-8423.

(I wonder what Henry David Thoreau would say if he were alive today)

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October 22—Holy Cross hosts LEN BIAS' mother, Dr. Lonise Bias, who will speak about her son's experiences with substance abuse. Len Bias was the University of Maryland basketball player who died on June 19, 1986, of a drug related death, after being drafted by the Boston Celtics. This will be at 7:30 pm in the ballroom of Hogan

Center

October 23—BACCHUS presents an interactive program where the audience plays the judge and jury in a special performance. This will be at 7:00 pm in Dowden Hall Lounge.

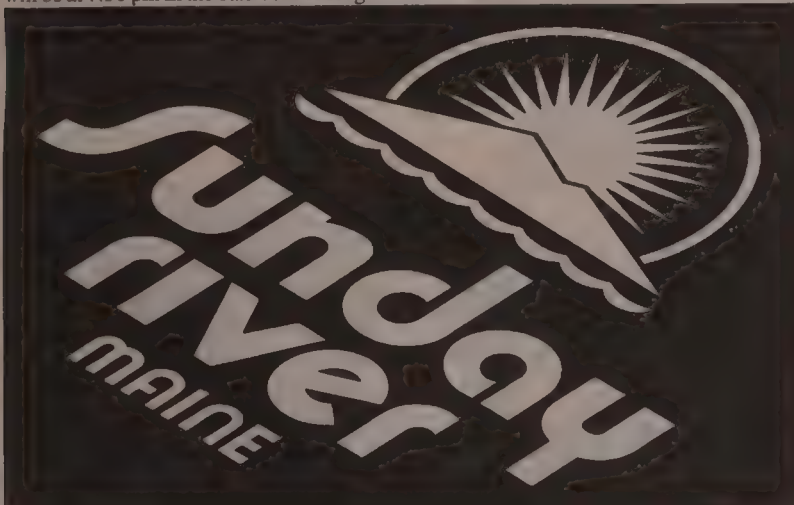
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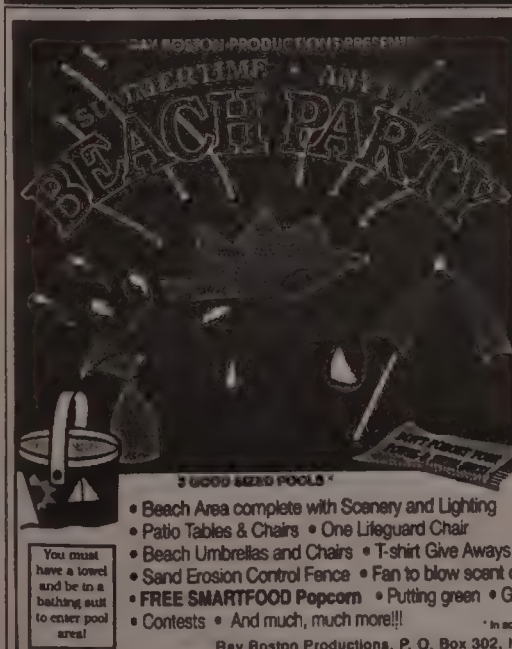
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Arts & Entertainment

Dining Out the College Way with Trish and Roula

As you all know, going to college means you're on a budget. So, Roula and I took it upon ourselves to seek out economical dining in the Worcester area.

One thing you should know is that while we enjoy Burger King, Pizza Hut, and DAKA's food. We eat on campus, and we want to thank these fine food establishments for giving us the idea for this column. It was the shepherd pie that we ate two weeks ago. We both had a serving and while the potatoes were great, the meat tasted like taco filling, and it haunted us for a few days. While we still eat on campus, we also like to try different kings o foods. So, we figured if we were going to try new restaurants, we would share our experiences with you.

This past week we ate lunch at the Peking Wok on the corner of Grove St. and W. Boylston St..

Being broke after the weekend, we had to settle for the lunch buffet...settle?...Well actually it was much better than we had expected. As we sat down, our waitress came over with tea and some menus, which we dismissed quickly, and informed us that soup was included in the buffet price of \$6.95 per person. We opted for the latter. Roula had the Egg Drop soup which, despite its ap-

pearance, I found tasty. Roula did not quite agree and after a few spoonfuls, left it aside. I had the wonton soup with pork dumplings or whatever they may be, but that's the beauty of chinese, you never know what you're eating.

I tasted the chicken fingers, which were in a puff pastry, the crab rangoon was nicely filled, the Peking ravioli with sauce which I enjoyed thoroughly, the pork egg foo young was an omelette with pork inside, the shrimp with broccoli (guess what...you could see the shrimp), the szechuan orange flavored beef was very sweet and the vegetarian delight wasn't so delightful. I thought it to be a little bland. You could also choose salad to start, chicken with cashew, sweet and sour pork, with the appropriate sauces, chicken fried rice, eggroll, dried noodle, shrimp chow mein, pork with black bean sauce, veggie lo mein, and boiled white rice.

There is your standard chinese buffet with some distinguishing dishes to help the Wok stand apart from the rest of the chinese restaurants. All in all, the food was great. There was a good selection with prompt service.

If you are set on chinese, we recommend you try the Peking Wok. It's affordable and safe on your stomach....so we think!!!



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Poetry Page

Love Is The Best Kind Of Magic

Glistening beads of morning dew
Rest gently on every leaf, stick and stone
Chilly dawn air warms slowly
as the radiant beams of the first blush
of the nurturing and radiant daystar emerge
Various varieties of birds begin to sing
Lyres and flutes and drums and bells
can be heard all around
Soothing, peaceful and serene
Druids and dryads dance with glee
Nymphs and pixies laugh and play
Sirens, elves and satyrs frolic about
A festive celebration fills the forest
Aryenna, a young human woman, sits alone
Saddened that she has no one like her
she weeps openly
The magical woodland creatures
gather around with sympathetic concern
A very old dwarven wizard approaches
Placing one ancient hand upon her dampish brow
he waves a wooden wand with the other
"Love and be loved my child" he says kindly
Suddenly, a young man appears beside her
He smiles and delicately brings her to her feet
"My name is Gerald May I have this dance?"
The music and merriment's resume...
and love finds its way home once again
Christopher M. Smith

it has been said
that ignorance is the bedfellow
of chaos, and that poverty
and violence are their offspring.
the politicians word these things carefully,
saying that these are the plague
of the disadvantaged, to whom great injustice
has been done. of course, a child, a product
of such a life, much more than a statistic,
expresses this sentiment as well.
Most poignantly, he spells these truths
out for us, written most tragically
in the blood of himself and his brothers,
bleeding in the gutters,
shot down by the trigger finger
of the helping hand,
not quite yet a teenager.

The Twilight Girl

He looked at her face
that beautiful artificial face
And he was caught up in the mesh of her lies
Consumed by lust
His body aflame with desire
He followed her swinging hips
like a faithful dog following its master
Her icy ringing laughter said it all
Another helpless victim goes down the drain.
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(with apologies to John Updike)
I.

it was cold, raining that day
we burned incense and wore little,
while cranberry bedclothes
crept midtorso about your sleeping body.
it took so long to wake you that
i didn't dare attempt it again.
and so, i buttoned your shirt about me
and crept barefoot to play the music
once more.
not even the snap of an awakening flame
pulled you from the clutches of
that slumber...

II.

Schubert became an aching adagio
and the ivory and the strings
moved me to tears once more.
smoke curled about the air, crisp and
chilled with the snap of tension.
and i sat, pensive and aching,
arms wrapped about my knees and
swore i felt the movement of a
thousand finned creatures,
ever so deeply ..

III.

where is it that shadows run
to when the flame has died,
and embers lay dying,
like fireflies swatted, withering and
struggling to glow once more?
abstractions, nothing more, i think,
and tell myself to become mobile.
this time, i venture to the pantry
where i find company in the fruitflies
that cohabit around bottles
of cheap wine, open and unfinished.
sick of the smell, i decide that i must take
leave of this scene. layer by layer,
i become myself once again,
and feeling exhausted and not
quite happy, i have kissed your cheek
and slyly slipped out the door...
unnoticed.

Metallic
stardust
left standing
in the rain...

I stare back
warm
milky eyed
liquescence

when won't it
matter

by keith vezeau



Arts & Entertainment

The Comic Strip SoupBaby Reviewed

By Dave Spencer
Doctor for the Castle Anthrax (Well he has a basic medical training)

No News this week either folks. (sorry)

OUT THIS WEEK:

Dark Horse Comics

Space Jam, Superboy #34, and Where in the World is Carmen Sandiego #4.

Helix Comics

This is a list of books scheduled to be in stores this week from Helix Comics.

Gemini Blood #4.



Sam Adams
The Comic Book Cow

This is a list of books scheduled to be in stores this week from Dark Horse Comics.

The Black Pearl #2, Chronowar #3, A Decade of Dark Horse #4, Gamera #3, Grendel: Devil's Legacy #3, and Harlan Ellison's Dream Corridor(tp).

DC Comics

This is a list of books scheduled to be in stores this week from DC Comics.

Action Comics #728, Amber: The Guns of Avalon #3, Aztek: The Ultimate Man #5, Batman: The Long Halloween #1, The Batman and Robin Adventures #13, Batman: The Death of Innocents #1, Detective Comics #704, Lobo #34, Sovereign Seven Annual #2,

Milestone Media

This is a list of books scheduled to be in stores this week from Milestone Comics.

Wise Son: The White Wolf #2.

Vertigo

This is a list of books scheduled to be in stores this week from Vertigo.

Blood: A Tale #2, The Dreaming #7, and Sandman Mystery Theatre #45.

by Michael Cocozzella
Voice Staff

Greetings, music aficionados. In this music review I evaluate two songs from SoupBaby's new album, No Han Solo. They are titled Bed and Won't You Come Home To Me. Why only two? Well, that's all they sent me here at The Student Voice, and believe me, I won't be knocking down their door for more. My personal ratings system will be simple and very easy to understand.

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I am a huge Star Wars fan, so when I saw the title on the CD, No Han Solo, I got really psyched. I was greatly disappointed to find out that there was no mention of anything remotely related to Star Wars in either of the songs I listened to. I was also disappointed to realize that these two songs were six and a half minutes of total garbage. If all of SoupBaby's songs are like these, each band member will soon be eating from the

Soup Kitchen.

Soup Baby did not supply the names of any band members, but they did send a group picture which consists of four guys and a girl, neither of whom are much older than you or me. The girl sings the lead in Bed, a song which starts out with a guy playing on his electric guitar a melody so boring and childishly simple that my three-year old cousin could duplicate it using his toes to play a xylophone. The girl's voice resembles the sound you get when you run your fingernails down a chalkboard. On top of that it's impossible to understand what she's saying, so I can't pass on any information about the song's central theme. The only big difference in Won't You Come Home To Me, the second song on the disc, is that a guy who moans and mumbles like a Neanderthal who has just whacked his head on the ceiling of his cave is "singing" the incomprehensible lyrics.

Sorry, Soup Baby, but you get no stars from me. I would suggest that you take a few music lessons before you try again.

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SPORTS

The Sports Corner

by Michael Cocozzella
Voice Staff

So sue me, I do not like the Atlanta Braves. So what if they're "America's Team" and they're loaded with all these stars everyone is supposed to love? I am sick of Chipper Jones and his knee-high socks, Mark Lemke looking like a stuck-up, half-wit, scruffy looking nerfherder, and Fred McGriff just being Fred McGriff. This guy has to be the most boring star player in major league history. Every time he comes to the plate I fall asleep. He has a boring batting stance, a boring demeanor, and he plays first base, the most boring defensive position in baseball, very boringly. Ryan Klesko either hits a home run or strikes out. This team does have a lot of talent, but I guess I'm just sick of seeing the same team dominate the postseason year after year. It does look like the Cardinals could reach the Series this year. As of this writing they lead the Braves in the National League Championship Series, three games to two.

Any baseball general manager seeking to

reverse the fortunes of his team should heed this advice: Trade for Ron Gant. Wherever this guy goes, championship teams follow. He has played in the last five (including this year) National League Championship Series, with three separate teams. He was one of the biggest reasons the Braves reached the World Series in 1991 and 1992, and he led them to the NLCS in 1993, where they fell to the Phillies, four games to two. He helped the Reds to the NLCS last year, and has been instrumental for the Cardinals this year as they have taken a three games to two lead over (guess who?) the Braves. Gant missed the entire strike-shortened 1994 season after breaking a leg in a freak, off-season motorcycle accident. The Braves released him and his 5.5 million dollar, non-guaranteed salary after team doctors correctly told them he would miss the season. Gant knocked two balls out of the park in the Cardinal's Game Three win over the Braves last week, and knocking those Braves out of World Series contention would be the sweetest revenge for this fine player.

Field Hockey Report

by Kinga Slowinska

The most important part of the field hockey season has begun and unsuccessfully for the Lady Lancers. These final games, which constitute an almost new season, involve playing against competitors in the Massachusetts State College Athletic Conference (MASCAC). Worcester State's league opponents include Bridgewater State, Fitchburg State, Framingham State, Salem State, and Westfield State. Losing or winning against any of these state colleges affects each team's standing in the league. A good standing is obviously preferred.

Worcester State's first league game against Salem State on Saturday (Oct.12) unfortunately will be added to the sadly lengthening list of losses. However, the Lady Lancers' determination and persistence contributed to the extension of the game past double overtime and into a final stroke off! The tie of 2-2 was broken when five of Salem's stokers competed against the five WSC stokers (Lisa Stockdale, Lisa Paquette, Kinga Slowinska, Sarah Murphy, and Tara Tokarz). The most strokes (out of

five) scored on goal determined the winner of the game, adding a point to their score. The final result was a score of 3-2 in favor of Salem State. "We definitely dominated... But made a lot of small mistakes which added up," respectively commented Coach Kearns and Asst. Coach Peterson. Worcester State's current record in the conference is 0-1 and the overall record is 2-6.

With each loss, this group of skilled individuals is coming closer to the realization that working as a team and being able to rely on and trust one another is one of the most crucial factors to winning. Not only is skill essential (which WSC has), but a positive *team* mentality plays a prominent role, as well. Understanding that each member of the group has a purpose and that one person cannot and should not try to do everything will transform this group into a team. This learning process may take an entire season, but in the end we will all be winners, regardless. I, as a member of the field hockey team, have faith in our ability and potential and that's why there is an article in the paper about us every week, even if we lose.

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SPORTS

Food, Fuel and Top Sports Performance

Second in a series of articles on sports nutrition

Colleen Daly, MS, RD
Nutritionist, Daka Food Service

Carbohydrate loading, A familiar scene on the T.V. news the night before the Boston marathon. An energizing meal for a marathoner but what about those of us who engage in activities and sports to a lesser degree?

Whether it be football, soccer, basketball, weight lifting or aerobics, carbohydrates, fats and protein are all important sources of energy. Carbohydrates and fats provide most of an athlete's energy, the amounts used though will depend primarily on: intensity and duration of the exercise, condition of the athlete and diet.

Low to moderate intensity sports use primarily fat and to a lesser extent glycogen as an energy source. Now bear with me as I explain what glycogen is as this is what can help make you a winner or feeling wiped out at the end of a workout. You see the carbohydrates that you eat are available to the athlete in their storage form called glycogen which is stored in the muscles or liver. Carbohydrates are also available in the form of glucose in the blood. Muscle glycogen supplies about 2000 calories and lasts about two hours in a runner. But if you are engaging in a low to moderate exercise then you are mostly relying on your fat stores which most individuals have in abundance.

Now as you increase the intensity of your exercise, fat cannot be broken-down fast enough and primarily muscle glycogen as well as some blood glucose is used for energy. Muscle glycogen is also the primary fuel for very short intense bursts of exercise such as a one minute sprint.

The following explains the effect of length of time exercising has on fuel usage. As the duration of the exercise increases at the low to moderate intensity, muscle glycogen and blood glucose (which you remember is being used in addition to fat but to a lesser degree) begin to become depleted. Therefore the muscles rely more on the abundant supplies of fat surrounding the muscles. The problem here can be if the intensity of the exercise is high body fat cannot be broken-down fast enough so fatigue sets in and the athlete must slow down. It takes at least 20 minutes for fat to be available to muscles as fuel. When exercising beyond the point of glycogen depletion (about two hours) and at a high enough intensity so that fat stores are unavailable, blood glucose will need to be replenished. Sports drinks can be useful to do just that while exercising but this too has a limiting factor as only approximately 800 calories per hour can be absorbed.

Obviously, it is to the endurance athletes advantage to have greater glycogen supplies and to use fat as fuel instead of glycogen. One way to make more use of your fat supplies is by being more aerobically fit. The more aerobically fit you are the more you can make use of fat. Also with conditioning you can store more glycogen and use glycogen at a slower rate.

By now you may have figured out that if you exercise at a low to moderate rate carbohydrate loading is not necessary since you use more fat than carbohydrates as your energy source. Carbohydrate loading which increases glycogen stores is a specific dietary and exercise plan for seven

days and is only necessary for those athletes who will exercise to the point of glycogen depletion and beyond for example: marathon runners, cross country skiers, distance bikers and swimmers.

If you're the average college student participating in sports such as football, soccer, basketball, weight lifting or aerobics you still need a carbohydrate rich diet. Even at the low to moderate level of exercise you need to replenish some glycogen and blood glucose. Plus some amount of carbohydrates is needed for fat breakdown and carbohydrates are a rich source of vitamins used in energy production.

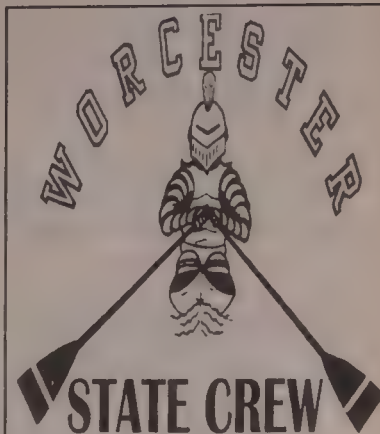
Athletes need at least 60 % of their calories from carbohydrates which translates into 300 grams for a 2000 calorie or 450 grams for a 3000 calorie intake. 15 grams of carbohydrates is contained in 1 slice bread, 1/2c. cereal or cooked rice or cooked pasta, 1 large bagel, 1 apple 1 1/2 cups cooked vegetable or 1 cup Gatorade. Sports bars

are high in complex carbohydrates but so is a Nature Valley low fat granola bar at less than half the price.

Recommendations for a meal before training are: eat a carbohydrate rich meal 1-4 hours before training which allows time for stomach emptying. Limit fat and fiber before a workout to avoid cramps. Remember to include a generous amount of fluid as discussed in my previous column.

Recommendations after training: consume carbohydrates within 30 minutes. This will increase glycogen storage and may improve recovery time. Here again liquids are necessary.

Of course a balanced diet including protein and fat is necessary for all athletes. But how much protein is needed? You may be surprised, especially regarding endurance sports. More about that in next week's issue.



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WSC FOOTBALL

DA GUYS, DA STATS - WHAT ELSE IS THERE?

By Marcy Lambiras
Football Editor

Worcester State destroyed Fitchburg State on Saturday, breaking all kinds of school and league records. The 66-24 rout set school records for most points in a game, most touchdowns (10), and most rushing yards (530) in Lancer history. The Lancers' 621 yards of total offense is a New England Football Conference record.

Fitchburg was held to minus-35 yards rushing, their quarterback was sacked 9 times and intercepted 3 times during the carnage.

Fitchburg QB Jason Dyer said hello to Steve Hathaway in the first quarter as he picked off a pass and brought that sucker straight into the zone.

Tailback Bill Molinari scored one of his three touchdowns after the Hathaway incident - a 65 yard trek into his favorite sanctuary: The End Zone.

Jeff Caputo's arm is still on vacation, but he blasted one into the zone on foot. His 60 yard run put the Lancers up 18-0 with ten minutes left to go in the first quarter.

Fitchburg was unable to respond. Molinari decided to run the ball 69 yards just for kicks as the second quarter opened,

increasing the lead to 24 points.

Matt Burden brought the tally to 31-0 with a 16 yard TD run. The extra point was scored courtesy of Jose Ribeiro.

By the time Molinari scored his third touchdown late in the second quarter, Fitchburg decided to get in on the action, scoring their first TD on a Dyer pass.

Todd Daskowski opened up the second half with a 2 yard run into the zone. His second touchdown, a 39 yard run, was sandwiched between Rob Kerr and Larry Pratte runs.

Fitchburg was able to save face on a couple of last minute TD passes. Final score: 66-24.

DA STATS

Through 5 games, Worcester State's opponents are minus-30 yards rushing on 174 carries, while the Lancers have accumulated 1262 rushing yards.

State is averaging 203 yards passing per game and 221 yards rushing, as opponents are held to 97 yards on the pass and averaging minus-6 yards on the run.

State's net yards passing is 1017 throughout 5 games, while opponents are

netting 485 passing yards.

The Lancers lead the New England Football Conference in passing efficiency defense, with 15 interceptions. They are also leading the league in total offense (365 plays for 2146 yards), rushing offense, rushing defense, total defense, scoring offense, scoring defense, and turnover margin (+1.8 avg.)

DA GUYS

QB Jeff Caputo is averaging 190 yards per game. He has accumulated 950 yards on the season, with a long bomb of 65 yards in the season opener. He is the leading quarterback in the NEFC.

WR Bryan Keats is the top go-to-guy again this year, averaging 85 yards per game (426 on the season). He is second in the league among receivers, just 11 points behind UMass' Vic Witcher. With 28 catches per game, Keats leads the NEFC in that category.

Other top receivers include Ron Palumbo (176 yards over 5 games), Chris Desisto (133 yards) and Ross Becker (126 yards).

Bill Molinari leads the Lancers in rushing offense (447 yards), followed by none other than Jeff Caputo, who will sooner

run the ball into the zone, than settle for an incomplete pass. Caputo has racked up 258 yards rushing in addition to his quarterbacking duties. Todd Daskowski, a Webster native, has rushed for 218 yards on the season.

Jose Ribeiro has been averaging a cool 33.1 on the punting front. He has aced 18 on 22 attempts.

Steve Hathaway leads the defensive teams with 7.5 sacks. LB Scott Holland has recorded 5 sacks in 5 games. Defensive backs Tony Renò and Trey Pizzetti were each responsible for 4 sacks. 2-sack players include: Chris Feeney, Seth St. Hilaire, Tony Depiro, and Kaleem Clarkson.

DA POLL

Worcester State leads the ECAC Division III Football Poll with a 5-0 record. Trinity comes in second at 4-0, and Plymouth State third, with a 3-1 record.

The next ball game will be a 1:00 contest in Framingham on the 19th. If you can't make that, be sure to catch the Lancers on Homecoming Day as they play host to Westfield at 1:30, October 26.



Picks o' da week

FOOTBALL		
NFL		
Favorite	Pts, O/U	Underdog
Thursday		
CHIEFS	9 (38)	Seahawks
Sunday		
COWBOYS	15 (43)	Falcons
EAGLES	2 1/2 (38)	Dolphins
COLTS	3 1/2 (41 1/2)	Patriots
REDSKINS	7 1/2 (38 1/2)	Giants
PANTHERS	7 (38 1/2)	Saints
BRONCOS	9 1/2 (44)	Ravens
49ERS	15 (43)	Bengals
Steelers	NL	OILERS
Bills	7 (37)	JETS
CARDS	3 (36)	Bucs
Jaguars	1 1/2 (40)	RAMS
Monday		
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Friday, Oct. 25

- Homecoming Weekend!!
- Pep Rally at 5pm
- SEC Beach Party at 6pm

Saturday, Oct. 26

- Happy National Day!! (Australia)
- Women's Soccer at 10am
- Field Hockey at 11am
- Volleyball at 11am
- Football at 1:30pm

Monday, Oct. 28

- October Bank Holiday (Ireland)
- SEC hosts THE WARRENS (real ghostbusters) in the Blue Lounge

Wednesday, Oct. 30

- Robert Santiago speaks at 10am in the SC Auditorium
- Campus Ministry Pasta supper @ 6pm in the Ministry House
- Campus Ministry House Haunted House

Thursday, Oct. 31

- Happy Halloween!!
- Spaghetti Dinner at 5:30 at Campus Ministry House
- Halloween Party in OLP
- Campus Ministry House Haunted House

Letters to the Editor

With my time at Worcester State College quickly coming to an end, I feel compelled to write this letter, I cannot leave here without personally acknowledging the work of Dr. Ruth Haber of the English Department, for she is responsible for my academic success here at WSC.

Her interest, concern, and devotion to her students is unprecedented. Her teaching style and expectations are a challenge and her assignments and class discussions so interesting that you just flow through each semester looking forward to each class. I should know; I've taken almost every class she teaches. She does not settle for second best, nor does she allow her students to. Dr. Haber draws the best out of you by questioning your philosophies, allowing you time to defend them, and teaches you to also respect the differences of others.

I urge all WSC students to register for a class taught by Dr. Haber. It is obvious that

she loves her job. The English Department, along with the whole college community, should feel proud to have someone who recognizes the importance of her profession, and is totally dedicated to it.

I can remember a little saying taped to her office wall on one of my many visits there for some extra help; it went something like this:

"THE WINDS OF GRACE
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Dr. Haber not only assisted me in raising the sail, she helped me to get the boat in the water. The greatest gift I could ever receive is that my children will be as inspired by a teacher as I was, and still am, by Dr. Haber.

With my sincere thanks,
Peter Gauthier
07 major

It's nice to see a student praising a professor, instead of slamming one for a change. I wish we could be like this more often. Thank you Peter for showing us that not all teachers have to be our enemies.

David Spencer
Editor-in-Chief

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Poetry Page

once more, old friend

old trees, dressed in forest finery
(their dress-code for autumn)
encircled in cold, hard bark
and surrounded by brilliantly
colored-in leaves, make me wonder
that it has taken this long
to pass the time between
tonight and one year ago...
an ellipsis has occurred, a
warp in the persistent sequence
of time...and i can remeber
the first snowfall, triangles of
crystalline, falling frozen, wet
onto our hair, our faces
but i can remember little else
till you were gone
with the april melting...
and greenery really had little
to do with the whole affair.

on autumn

(the pumpkin leers at me,
flaming smile glows behind
leathered, weathered orange flesh...)

autumn is beauty, a thousand
brightly colored tiny deaths
gnarled bark, weathered and bloated
with the heat and moisture of the
season past, spews forth, aborting
into skies brightly blue
bloody crimson and yellow'd leaves,
surrendering to cold clouds and snowflakes
in a valiant blaze of glory.

Darkness

by ruguru w.

*Darkness is my grandfather
when he gets mad at my brother
for not locking up the cows
at night properly.
He rants and raves and screams
until he foams at the mouth
His characteristic cough warns us
to keep out of his way...danger!*

*Eli! Eli! he bellows out!
Out of my grandfather's hut
my small brother
courageously steps out
to face hell on earth.
He plays too much and
forgets to do his chores
He is so small and vulnerable
standing next to my
six foot angry grandfather
Okay!! he screams,
that's out cue
we split in different directions
to watch the unfolding drama*

*Whack, whack the cane lands on
my brother's bottom,
poor kid,
he is not allowed to cry
men don't cry,
but I know him better.
WHACK! the final lash
and his face lights up
it's done.*

Shametasm

I have bonded with the tide
The ebb and the flow of life
My heart holds no pretense
for anyone of lawful nature
Address a warranted applause
and fill my soul with the
blithesome town folk of an
antiquated era
With mirth I dance freely
among the thorned roses
and the broken blossoms
Carrying my lyre whose
strings are much too tight
I limp and squander and curse
the night and all that speaks
to my dismay
A fiery wound haunts my light
and I kneel before the dawn
with sovereign hesitation
Living, loving, learning
and healing
Wiping the tarnish from my eyes
I can see beyond the hurt
and know that I am of benevolent
attire, not only in image, but in
my heart of hearts...

Christopher M. Smith

The Adventures of Turk Digg: Moonlighter by Claudia Sulezal

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The Worcester County Clothesline Project



Raising Awareness About Domestic Violence

By Christopher M. Smith
Voice Staff

Last year the class of 1997 began a project in hopes of raising awareness about abuse of all kinds. Their endeavor was quite successful in raising the awareness on campus about such an extraordinarily important issue that touches, taints and destroys so many lives everyday. This year they continued their efforts, with the help of the class of 2000, in addressing domestic abuse by again inviting representatives of The Worcester County Clothesline Project to share some of their experiences here at WSC. From 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM on Wednesday, October 16 over 200 shirts were displayed in the Student Center for all to see. The content of what was on each shirt was very personal to its author, yet they were courageous enough to show them in hopes of getting the word out. That word was different for each shirt, for each one was quite unique, but there was certainly a theme. "STOP" was one such word that rang out in the Student Center even though all was quiet. This pertains to the stopping of the abuse of women by men primarily. It also included battered women, rape and incest survivors including many children and people who were murdered by their perpetrators. A special section called "The Murder Line" was set up to represent the number of people from Worcester County who have been murdered since the Clothesline Project began. There has been a decrease in such murders since last year but there are still many...even one is too many!

Students had the opportunity to create shirts and to add them to the display and there were some students who



participated.

The following two days there was a fund-raiser for the Clothesline Project in the same location after the shirt had been removed. This activity was called "Jail and Bail" and there were two cardboard jail cells where people volunteered to stay in. An amount was set that was needed to release them and they remained in their cells until that amount was received by generous people passing by. President Ghosh was released after his \$150.00 bail had been met.

Rob Mahoney, a student, was let out after an impressive \$60.00 bail. Sherri Nickel-Milstone, Director of Housing and Joyce Bubon, Secretary of Housing had a difficult time raising their bail but finally did. Many others also participated as well and together they raised approximately \$400.00 exclu

Kim McFarland, 1997 Senior Class Vice President, played a significant role in the facilitation of this project. "I would like to thank the faculty, administrators, students, coaches and ev-

everyone who contributed. Our goal was to raise awareness and to contribute to the community and I feel that we were successful in that goal. It is my hope that the class of 2000 (and anyone who has an interest) will continue this tradition of raising awareness." The business card for the Clothesline Project reads "Bearing Witness To Violence

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Against Women.” Both men and women came together for these three days to try to uphold this saying. This is an issue that unfortunately is not going to go away too easy if at all. The survivors of sexual abuse live with their pain each day and they have reached out to the community with their strength, experience and hope to bring not only awareness, but also action to this issue. This is a very sensitive topic and must be dealt with in a gentle, understanding and safe way. The WSC community accomplished that this week and all involved should be commended. If you believe that you need to speak with someone about sexual abuse you can call the Counseling Center here on campus at 793-8000 x.8072.



President Ghosh Speaks From Behind Bars!

by Michael Cocozzella
Voice Staff

Dr. Kalyan K. Ghosh, the President of Worcester State College, was put behind (cardboard) bars last Thursday at the Senior and Freshmen class Jail and Bail. The reasons for his incarceration were unclear, but there was widespread speculation that unhappy teachers and administration members were conspiring to strip him of his power. Ghosh has been the President of WSC for the last nine years, and is a self-proclaimed “good guy”. He himself lent credence to the speculation that there were many in the Worcester State College community who wanted him just where he ended up last Thursday.

“I’m not paying people enough. That’s why they jailed me,” he said.

Not even Ghosh’s friends were on his side: “My good friends love the fact that I’m in jail. Well, I used to think they were my good friends.”

President Ghosh was steadfast as he stood in his cramped cardboard quarters, his proud face showing no signs of repent or worry. He issued some scathing remarks about the prison facility he now reluctantly called home. “No TV, no running water, no sofa bed... it’s a crappy jail. I don’t like it.”

If Ghosh did harbour any feelings of shame or remorse, he was unable to suffer them privately. His jail cell was located in the Student Center’s first floor Exhibition Area, one of the busi-

est places on campus. Here members of the WSC community would either walk by and stare or stop at his cell to offer words of support or, more importantly, bail money. He was extraordinarily pleased to get a cellmate, a Worcester State teacher whose name remains anonymous. “Having a cellmate is great, someone to share with. You can’t do better for a criminal like me,” said Ghosh.

Ghosh reflected on a time in the past when he was also thrown in jail, but did not expound upon the reason he was put there. “A couple of years ago, in this same penitentiary. I didn’t like it back then. The jail has not improved. The people are not good, either. Nobody loves me. I’m a good guy, but people don’t come and bail me out. That tells me they don’t love me. If it was important to them, they’d bail me out.”

Ghosh’s them was set at one hundred dollars. Worcester State College administration and students could put bail donations in a plastic bucket that hung from the bars of his cell. Ghosh himself was not allowed to contribute any money towards his freedom.

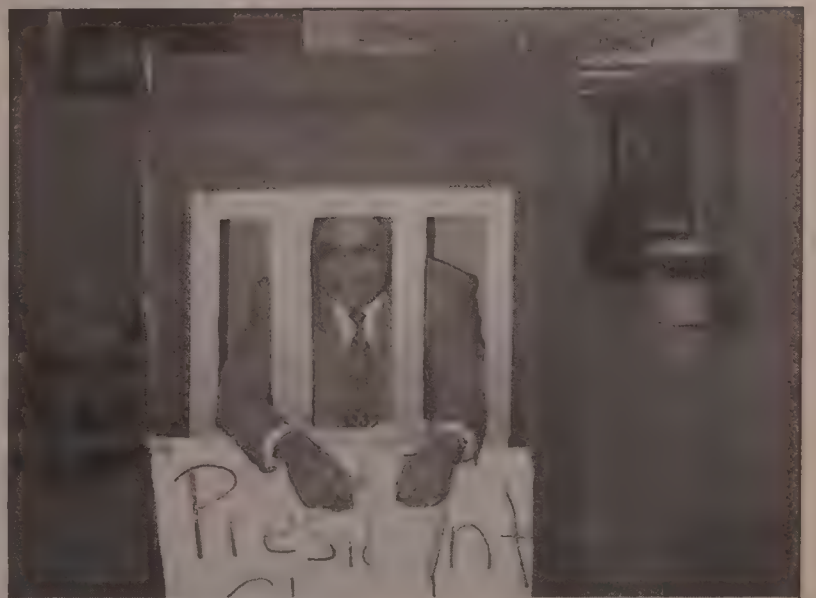
Ghosh did prove particularly sensitive to one line of inquiry. When asked the question, “What does everyone seeing you in jail do to your reputation?”, he quickly shot back the reply, “I worked all my life and now I get this? What do you think this does to my reputation?”

Ghosh really let the cat out of the bag when he was sure he was out of earshot of his captors. “I will break the jail,” he said. “I know the crafts.”



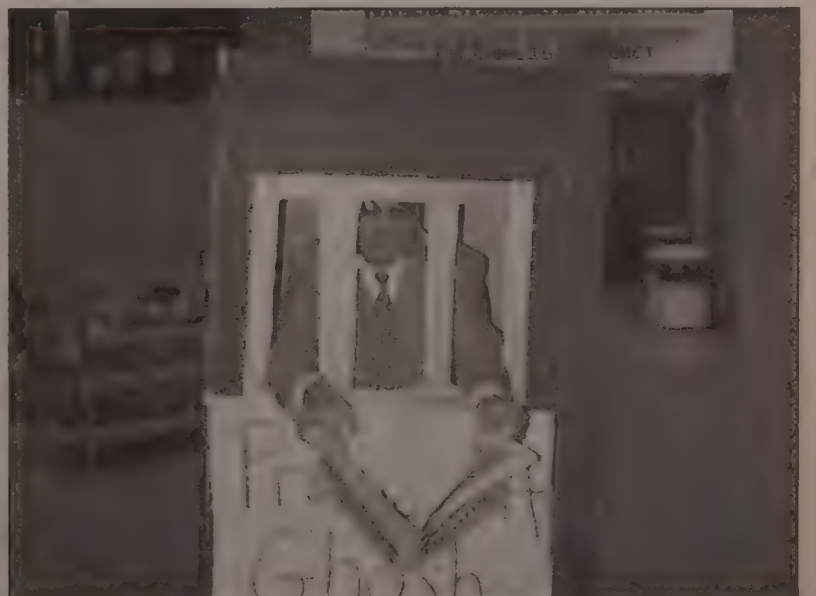
The Giant Check is given to the Clothesline Project.

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President Ghosh in Jail

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Ghosh reads the Voice

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Arts & Entertainment

Dining Out the College Way With Trish and Roula

After careful examination of our restaurant choices, Roula and I decided that there was only one place to eat at: Coes Cafe at 242 Mill Street where the atmosphere is cozy and the food is fantastic.

Yes, as Trish said we carefully examined our choices. It was anything close and inexpensive. We had to get back to campus quickly to play volleyball. I had never seen Coes Cafe before even though I pass there quite often.

Immediately after walking through the door, we were greeted and seated in a booth by the window. We ordered our drinks. Roula had a glass of Coke and I had a cup of coffee. The prices of the lunch menu are varied but remain reasonable. The lunch entrees run from \$3.50 to \$6.95 which includes a variety of sandwiches, pizzas and salads. If nothing from the menu pleases you, you may choose from five other lunch specials.

I ordered a cup of the soup of the day which was Tortellini and Cheese for \$1.25, and the Moussaka, layered potato, eggplant and ground beef topped with Béchamel sauce (white cream sauce) and parmesan cheese for \$5.25, as an entree. The soup was rich on Tortellini and tasted awesome. If you haven't noticed yet, I'm a soup nut, therapy didn't help, I fear nothing will... Anyway...The waitress brought over the entrees on doiled plates. The Moussaka looked great and tasted even better. The blend of potato, eggplant and ground beef beats Daka's Shepherd pie any day.

I had the veggie lasagna. Vegetarians will love the variety of plates served. Its includes eggplant, zucchini, tomatoes, ricotta cheese and tomatoe sauce (\$5.25.) If you are not vegetable friendly I don't recommend this plate. Personally, I love veggies although the

zuchinni was a little undercooked. The plate as a whole was mouth watering. The serving was just right in fact I was full and I couldn't finish my salad.

The Ceasar salad was the best I ever had. Its Romaine lettuce (my favorite) with croutons topped with grated parmasan cheese with their own Ceasar dressing. I now know what they meant by own. I have never tasted a dressing as delicious and I had to ask the waitress if she could tell me what the secret was. Unfortunately she couldn't divulge the information. During the summer months they serve food outside which is nice because its right on the lake. I can't wait to go back there for the salad.

Of course, I felt obligated to help Roula with her Caesar. After all, what are friends for?

Although Trish won't confess she loved the dressing as much as I did. Their dinner menu is extensive with assorted steak, chicken, pasta and seafood plates ranging from \$8.95-\$11.95. They even have a kids menu. For after exam binges there is a bar.

We both agree this is a four star restaurant. It has great quantity, quality and inexpensive meals.

Lunch came to \$17.96 for the two of us. Had we been more careful, we could have gotten away with paying less' for lunch. Well, all in all, the food was excellent and if you are in the mood for Armenian, go to Coes located across from O'Coins on Mill street.

If you would like to join us we will be at Beirut Restaurant on Belmont Street on Wednesday, October 30. Drop us a message on the Voice machine at 754-2313 and we will get back to you with a time for lunch.



The Comic Strip

By Dave Spencer
A Sort of Executive-Officer-For-the-Week

Look for the world's finest teamup, part two when Superboy and Robin team up in *World's Finest: Superboy/Robin*. Together they take on Metallo and Poison Ivy. This comes out next week from DC Comics.

OUT THIS WEEK:

Dark Horse Comics

This is a list of books scheduled to be in stores this week from Dark Horse Comics.

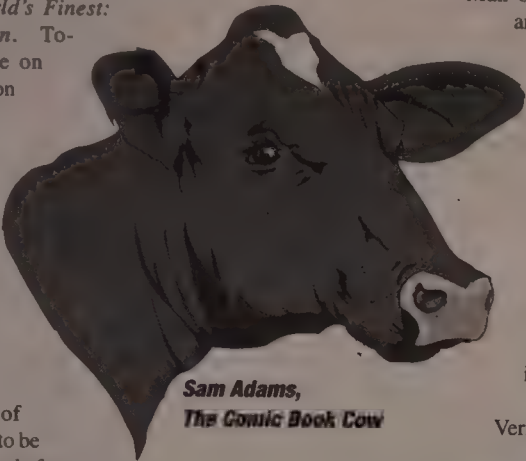
Big Blown Baby, #3, Blade of the Immortal: Genius #1, Body Bags #3, and Hellboy: Wake the Devil #5.

DC Comics

This is a list of books scheduled to be in stores this week from DC Comics.

Aquaman #27, Azrael Plus #1, Batman: Legends of the Dark Knight #89, Birds of

Prey: Manhunt #4, Green Lantern Plus #1, Hitman #1, Legionnaires Annual #3, Robin #36, Scare Tactics #1, Superboy & the Ravers #4, Superman: The Man of Steel #63, and Takion #7.



Helix Comics

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Vermillion #3.

Paradox Press

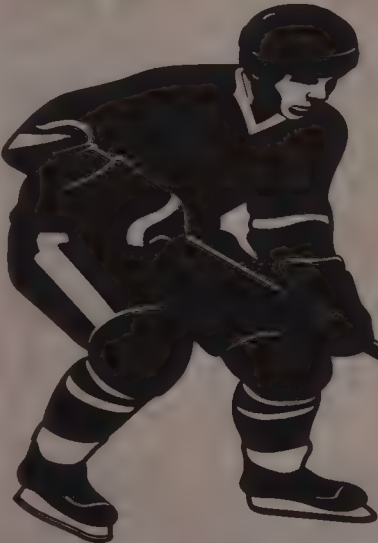
This is a list of books scheduled to be in stores this week from Paradox Press. The Big Book of Thugs.

Vertigo

This is a list of books scheduled to be in stores this week from Vertigo.

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Arts & Entertainment

Les Mise'rables: There are no words...

by: Ziad Al-Azem
Editor-in-Chief

Les Mise'rables, a Broadway musical, has been playing for over ten years at the Imperial Theatre on W. 45th St. in New York City. Based on the book by Victor Hugo, Les Mise'rables, or "Les Mis." as its nicknamed, has become the most popular show in the history of musical theatre. The story of a man trying to rebuild his life after a 20-year incarceration, turns into a beautiful love story that would break even the strongest of hearts.

The Broadway version of this awesome story was written by Alain Boublil and Claude-Michel Schonberg. The score was composed by Claude-Michel Schonberg and Herbert Kretzmer.

The Music:

In a word: Fascinating. Everything from the love duets sung by Cosette (Tamra Hayden) and Marius (Tom Donoghue), to the heart-breaking solo sung by Eponine (Christeena Michelle Riggs) were absolutely superb. Not surprisingly, some of the songs on this score are rather popular such as "On My Own" performed by Eponine. Buy the soundtrack; both the American and the British versions are superb.

The Set:

As far as sets go, Les Mis's can't really compare to the set of *The Phantom of the Opera*, or *Miss Saigon*, but it could still be rated as "great". Huge piles of broken fur-

niture, wooden crates and scraps of iron twist and turn into each other to create the illusion of downtown Paris, the streets of Digne, and even a bridge that overlooks an amazing river. The use of lights in this play are interesting, to say the least. During the soliloquy called "Stars", performed by Javert (David Masenheimer), the back drop starts to glow, and eventually little bright lights, representing stars shine through.

The Costumes:

A triumph. Some costume changes were as simple as tying a flag around the actor's waist...and some were as complicated as nuclear physics. Most of the costumes were suited for that period in France's history. Some, actually two, were...not of this world. The costumes that Mr. & Madame The'nardier wear during their performance of "Beggar at the Feast" are absolutely...tacky. But that is the way they are supposed to look; after all, they are beggars at the feast. The costume change that surprised me the most was that of Fantine right before she takes up prostitution as a last chance to save her child. She has changed everything, including her hair, and her make-up in the span of about 30 seconds...and she doesn't even leave the stage. All she has is a wall of prostitutes.

The Acting:

Since this is a Broadway production, the acting was obviously superb. The most impressive actor was Christeena Michelle

Riggs, who was absolutely stunning. Also, Christopher Trousdale, who plays Gavroche, also stunned me due to his age. The ten year old actor stole the show when he sang "Look Down" along with the beggars. The line "A flea can even bite the bottom of the Pope in Rome!" had everybody in the audience laughing. Little Christopher Trousdale was not the only young talent in this show: Alicia Morton, and Kimberly Hannon, who played Cosette and Eponine, also touched the audience with their innocence. Two very promising performances were given by Tregony Shepard, and Drew Eshelman, who played the The'nardiers. Excellent roles for exquisite actors. Robert Evan, who plays Jean Valjean also does an amazing job. This part takes a lot of ability. All of which he possesses. Evan portrays Valjean very well. Finally, David Masenheimer also deserves credit for a job well done. His portrayal of Javert is also one of the best that I have seen.

The Plot:

Jean Valjean (Robert Evan), after twenty long years of manual labor in a French prison run by Javert (David Masenheimer), is released on parole only to find the world a cruel place to people like him. After many attempts to find honest work, Valjean comes across a chapel run by the Bishop of Digne (Kelly Briggs). In the middle of the night Valjean steals all the silverware from church and runs. He is caught by Javert's men, and brought back to the Bishop, who tells the police officers that the silver was a present that he had given Valjean the night before. With this, the police apologize and leave and Valjean is left with nothing but his shame. Valjean takes the silver and decides to break his parole and start a new life. From here, Valjean moves to Montreuil-Sur-Mer, and opens a factory. He becomes very popular in the town, and eventually becomes the Mayor, under the name Monsieur Madeleine.

Fantine (Florence Lacey), one of the works in Valjean's factory, comes into play here. She is a hard working woman, who's lover left her with their young

daughter. When the other workers at the factory discover this, they demand that she is released...and because of a foreman (Joel Robertson) who Fantine has rejected in the past, she is thrown out. Out in the cold with nothing but bills to pay, Fantine turns to prostitution to make money to send to her young daughter, Cosette (Alicia Morton), who has been living with an innkeeper, and his wife. (Mr. & Madame The'nardier, played beautifully by Drew Eshelman, and Tregony Shepard, respectively.) Fantine is fatally injured in a fight she has with one of her tricks, but before passing away, Valjean promises to take Cosette away from the The'nardier family and place her in his own care. Valjean makes his way to Montfermeil, where he finds Cosette is being terribly mistreated, while her step-sister, Eponine (Kimberly Hannon) indulges in every possible pleasure. Valjean adopts Cosette, and together they move to Paris. Nine years pass. Cosette (Tamra Hayden) and Valjean live together happily as father and daughter. Unfortunately for them, Javert still has not given up his quest to hunt down Valjean.

Paris, at this time, is going through a very unstable period. Students, beggars, and most of the homeless are all wanting some sort of revolution against the government-which only cares for the rich. When the last 'pro-poor' leader, General Lamarque, passes, the students declare war.

Marius, a student, accidentally meets Cosette in the street one day, and they fall in love instantly. Eponine, (Christeena Michelle Riggs) the daughter of Mr. & Madame The'nardier, and Cassette's X-stepsister, has known Marius for years. She also loves Marius...but he doesn't even realize that she is alive. Eponine then, in a beautiful ballad, expresses her love for him, and she does whatever she can to let him be with the one he loves...Cosette.

The story unfolds from there in a way that will leave the whole audience feeling every known emotion. Love, hate, bitterness, and sorrow...all these and more. Asking the audience what they thought of the show was not necessary. The tears in everyone's eyes explained better than any words could.



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The Great Protein Debate among athletes. Myth vs. Facts.

by Colleen Daly, MS, RD

Nutritionist, Daka Food Service

Myth: Strength building athletes need more protein than all other athletes.

Facts: Elite endurance athletes need slightly more protein than strength builders due to their increased red blood cell formation and the body's ability to use more protein for energy with endurance training. (*See Recommended Protein Intake chart at end of article)

Myth: Muscles are mostly protein.

Fact: Muscles are approximately 20 % protein, 70 % water and 8 % fat.

Myth: Special protein or amino acid drinks formulated for athletes cannot become body fat.

Fact: Protein even from specially formulated drinks can definitely contribute to body fat gain when caloric intake is above caloric needs.

Myth: Carbohydrates (starchy foods) are not important for strength training athletes.

Fact: When carbohydrate intake is low more protein is used for energy. Also, carbohydrates indirectly promote amino acid uptake by the muscles and therefore protein formation which can be used to build muscle.

Myth: A high protein intake cannot be harmful to the athlete.

Fact: A high protein intake can contribute to dehydration if not enough fluid is consumed to eliminate the excess protein. Large doses of amino acids can have a damaging effect on the nervous system.

Myth: Amino acid drinks for athletes are more digestible than protein from food.

Fact: Ninety-eight percent of the protein from food is digested.

Good Sources of Protein	Amount (grams)	Protein (grams)	Fat	Calories
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Cheddar or Swiss cheese	1 oz	7	10	110
Lentils	1 cup	18	.7	231
Soybeans	1 cup	28	15	298
Tofu	1/2 cup	10	6	94
Chicken, light meat, no skin	3 oz	26	3	150
Beef, top round, broiled	3 oz	26	7	180
Pork loin, roasted	3 oz	28	13	234
Tuna, water packed	3 oz	25	.4	111
Egg	1 large	6	5.6	80
Peanut butter	1 Tbl.	5	8	95

Vegetables and carbohydrates also contain protein but in lesser amounts.

*Recommended Protein Intakes (grams/day)

Examples of Protein Needs

	180 # person	120 # person
RDA for sedentary Americans : .4 grams/1.1 pound of body weight	65 grams	44 grams
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Strength athlete: .7 grams protein per 1.1 pound of body weight	115 grams	76 grams
Elite endurance athlete: .75 grams protein per 1.1 pound of body weight	123 grams	82 grams

The average American consumes 100 grams of protein and athletes usually much more than that.

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THE DOWNFALL OF SAN FRAN & DALLAS

- And Other Strange Happenings -

by Marcy Lambiras
NFL Analyst

It's finally happening. The NFC is opening up to other teams besides *those* two: San Fran and Dallas. They've dominated the NFC for years, but now, these empires are starting to crumble. Knock another playoff contender out of the race this year? I Don't think so. These teams are has-beens.

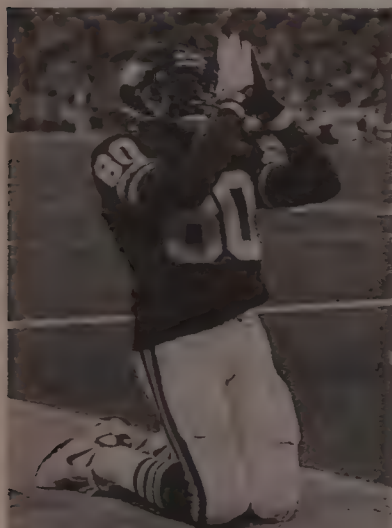
Atlanta is 0-7 on the season, in search of a quarterback, and basically the worst team in the league. But Dallas struggled immensely to beat them on Sunday. The Cowboys were held to 56 yards rushing, while the Falcons cruised over 100 yards of Texas turf. If not for a last minute touchdown pass, Dallas would have handed Atlanta their first win.

The Cowboys are 4-3 on the season, even the Skins are doing better. At 6-1, Washington is .857 percent, and leading the NFC East. This would have been unheard of a year ago.

San Fran Goes Down

What's even more absurd, the Panthers are leading the NFC West. A September victory over the Niners places Carolina on top, and San Fran in second place in the west, with a 4-1 division standing.

It gets worse. Cincinnati nearly whipped the Niners last week. They domi-



The Vikings have a better chance of seeing God than going to another Super Bowl.

nated throughout - with a 21-0 score in the second quarter, it looked like San Fran was going down. Steve Young rallied to 14 fourth quarter points to put San Fran up in the final minutes. Talk about a close call.

When the Niners met the Packers for Monday Night Football, San Fran was **getting** points! What does that tell you about the direction that pro football is headed? Talk about a 360° turnaround. That pup is doing donuts.

Strange Happenings

Denver leads the AFC West. When did they acquire a defense? Elway + Defense = Wins. Too bad they haven't thought of that one earlier. And what ever happened to power-house team, Kansas City? The Broncos are ahead of them in the division race. I can't believe my eyes!

The Oilers are ahead of the Steelers in the AFC Central. In fact, they lead the division at 4-1 (5-2 overall). I didn't think they'd recover from the Moon incident, but they seem to be rebounding quite well.

Blitzburgh is 3-2 against division foes. And that's not saying much when you have Baltimore and Cincinnati in your division.

Lots of folks had high hopes for New England, but they're only in fourth place in the AFC East - one slot above the winless Jets. No matter what the record says, New Englanders aren't jumping off that bandwagon.

Upsets All Around

Speaking of New England...Did you catch that **upset** over the Colts? Willie McGinest broke Harbaugh's nose in the process, while Indy got knocked to second place in the division. The Colts could only make the board by means of field goal, despite six trips to the red-zone. The Pats camped out inside the Colts' 20. They made a day of it. I don't know where the Indy defense was on Sunday.

The Jets close in on Buffalo...Steve Christie saves the day with a last minute field goal. 47 yards and 10 seconds left - this one shouldn't have been this close.

Houston finished 7-9 last season. Pittsburgh played in a Super Bowl. Guess who won on Sunday?

Super Bowl Picks

As we've learned so far, anything can happen in the NFL. The Oilers and the Panthers could meet in Super Bowl XXXI; the way this season is going.

But seriously...

I'd like to see Houston make the playoffs. They could jump in on a wild card if Pittsburgh steals the division. They could even win the race outright. Just look at their December match-ups: Jets, Jags, Bengals, Ravens. Baltimore doesn't know whether they're coming or going. The rest of those teams have 4 wins between the three of them.

NFC

San Fran isn't capable of stopping Green Bay anymore. **Green Bay** will make it to the quarter finals, then whose to stop them... Washington? Minnesota? Philli?

Hell, **Dallas** may not even see the playoffs this year. If Mike Irvin is their entire team, then they've got some serious problems.

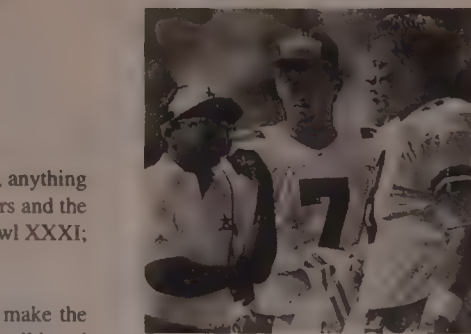
I'd like to see **Detroit** on another wild card, but **Minnesota** has the easier schedule, and they're already one game ahead of the Lions.

AFC

As usual, the battle for the AFC East will be a tight race. If New England beats Buffalo, and Miami upsets Dallas on Sunday, that would make a three-way tie in the East. Throw in an Indy loss in Washington, and make that a four-way tie.

Miami has a tough schedule for November.

Indy has the probability of being wiped out in upcoming weeks. If they couldn't handle the Pats, how are they going to handle Miami, Kansas City, and Buffalo?



finish last season. They will play the Jets twice, the Chargers, and then the Giants. Add 4 more wins to their record, and you're looking at a possible playoff contender.

I predict **Denver** is going down. My mind just cannot comprehend the idea of Denver as division leaders. Wins against the Bucs and the Jets just don't impress me. Their schedule is getting a little tougher, so we'll see what happens to these clowns

Kansas City will win the AFC West. The rest of the American Conference is a joke.

I'll give the Central title to **Pittsburgh**, because c'mon...have you seen their schedule? Atlanta this week, St. Louis the next, then Cincinnati and Jacksonville. They'll wrap-up the regular season with a bout against the Panthers. Whose in charge of scheduling? Do you have anything a bit more challenging for a Super Bowl team?



Blitzburgh: They'll die in the playoffs

The Bottom Line

I predict Kansas City to knock Buffalo out of the playoffs in a close conference championship game. In the NFC, it's Green Bay all the way! They have nothing standing in their way this year. The Packers will win the Bowl, for the first time since 1967. The spread will be 5 and a half points. Will they cover?

Lady Lancers Conquer All !!!

by Kinga Slowinska
Voice Staff

WOOHAA!!!! Well, it's about time the Lady Lancers have a winning streak instead of a losing one and all I can say is "I told you so." I believed that this team was capable of winning all along. Finally, the record is beginning to turn around, with WSC field hockey catching up to its losses. Before this glorious week of wins, the record was a mere 2-6, now it's a less embarrassing and more acceptable one of 5-6. Annihilating Wheelock 6-2 on Oct. 15, conquering Framingham 3-1 on Oct. 17, and stomping Western New England 3-1 on Oct.

19, WSC is finally playing to their potential, or at least winning like they should have been.

Stupendous Stockdale (Lisa) went on a rampage, scoring seven out of the twelve goals of the week. Terrific Tara Tokarz wasn't far behind, nailing in the other five. Great performances were had by all the girls, but the spotlight must now go to three Freshmen, Michelle Pare, Jesslyn Gannon, and Johanna Ramos. Posing as link, Michelle Pare emerged out of no where with unbeatable power, stopping everything skillfully, getting to the ball first, and driving with accurate force. Jesslyn Gannon, playing

half-back, was also full of the same energy. Goalie Johanna Ramos, getting her debut in the Framingham State game, and appearing again in the WNEC game, played with admirable determination, allowing nothing in the goal. Congratulations to these stars of the week and the entire team.

That game-winning team mentality, has been lacking in the games previous to this week, spontaneously developed in the Wheelock game, with everyone effectively communicating and playing their own position. It is hoped that this newly transformed group, which is finally performing like the team it is and could have been the

entire season, will continue moving in the same, successful direction. With this mentality and the confidence that accompanies winning, at hand throughout the rest of the season, the "sadly lengthening list of losses" will become a "happily lengthening list of wins." Make it happen, Lady Lancers!!

The next and last home Game is Thurs. Oct. 24 at 4PM against Fitchburg State on the front field. Everyone is invited, so COME ON DOWN!!

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Thursday, Oct. 31

- Happy Halloween!!
- Spaghetti Dinner at 5:30 at Campus Ministry House
- Halloween Party in OLP
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Friday, Nov. 1

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- All Saints Day Mass at noon in the Foster Room in the Student Center
- TWA Latin Dance, 9am-2pm in the Student Center

Sunday, Nov. 3

- Happy Culture Day (Japan)

Monday, Nov. 4

Sign-up for Senior Photos at the info desk

Tuesday, Nov. 5

- Election Day
- Movie: Independence Day at 3pm and 7pm

Wednesday, Nov. 6

- Campus Ministry Pasta Supper at 6pm at the Campus Ministry House

Thursday, Nov. 7

- SEC hosts Virtual Reality 10am-3pm
- Spaghetti Dinner at 5:30 at Campus Ministry House

Monday, Nov. 11

- Veterans Day (No Classes)
- Remembrance Day (Canada)
- Armistice Signed

Tuesday, Nov. 12

- Senior Photos begin

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The Soapbox

by Dave Spencer
Editor-in-Chief

Bosses. We all have them, but few of us seem to like them. The first bosses any of us have are our parents. Unfortunately, short of suing them for divorce (a la **North**), there's not much we can do about them.

Our next boss is our first teacher. I happened to like my kindergarten teacher, so I'll move on. Throughout our education we'll have teachers (read as bosses) that we don't like, and whose demands we consider unreasonable.

I would like to think that we have at least some teachers we like each year, though (see last week's letter to the Editor).

Sometime while we are in school, many of us get our first part-time job. Some of the bosses you get are real winners.

My first boss, Jim, was an airhead. I was "laid off" (i.e. fired) so that he could hire the daughter of the woman he was having sex with.

My next job was at a McDonalds. It was a corporation-owned store, so it was strict, but I didn't have a problem with it. My boss here was Peter. He was actually a pretty nice guy, and I realize only in retrospect, what a hard time it is, to deal with people who think that only they are right (ie. us).

My McDonalds was sold to a private owner. This guy was named Jim (another Jim! Is there a pattern here?). He was a former military man, and had no clue how to deal with kids, who formed about 60% of his staff. My sister and I referred to him as Chief Little Big Nose, in regards to his enormous schnozzola.

Jim hired another guy, Bruce, to run the store on a day-to-day basis. Bruce

was another winner. If he didn't like you, you got few or no hours.

After I quit McDonalds (working there for almost 3 years), I went to work at a grocery store. My direct supervisor was Jon, he was a real goober. He was okay, though. He left and was replaced by Kathy. Again, I liked her, I just wanted more money for less work, so I never really gave her as much respect as I should have.

The big man was Dave. I respected him because he was driven to be the best manager that he could be, and make our store the best in the chain. And because he didn't take any \$#!+.

I was eventually put into the bakery department. My direct supervisor here at first was Andy. He was a fun guy. Bob, who came later, was also a nice guy, just not as fun.

I left here after a while, and went to work at my current job. I currently work at a youth center, where I have (presently) three different tasks. First, I watch over the kids from when they get there, until their chosen activity starts. Secondly, I am the instructor (hey, I'm a boss! wow!) of several of these activities. And finally, I occasionally drive the vans to pick up the kids at their schools. In the summer, however, I am one of the summer camp counselors.

In retrospect, I guess I've been lucky. With the exception of one, I've never hated a boss, and was only really irritated by a second.

Is it possible, however, that I haven't been lucky? Could I just be normal, in terms of how my bosses are? Are bosses really that bad, or do we pick on them because they're an easy target to blame everything on? I think this is the case with most of us. After all, bosses are people too.

Letters to the Editor. Get Out and Vote!!!

Today America's youth are more active than ever before. Thousands of students across the nation work to protect our threatened environment, provided community services, secure affordable education, fight for the hungry and homeless, advance the rights of humans, promote diversity, and encourage student activism.

While youth remain largely ignored in the American political system. Decisions of our elected officials, increasingly determined by campaign donation of special interests, have little to do with the real concerns of American youth. Consequently, America's youth vote in small numbers because they feel that elected don't represent them. There remains formidable obstacles to voting, such as the need to re-register each time a student moves and the lack of an institutionalized registration process. Additionally, the media, business, and society label young people as apathetic and lazy.

With these things in mind, we, the

undersigned, are encouraging students to vote this November 5. We want to make students a powerful voting force, to encourage candidates to talk about the real issues that affect our future. Legislators, lawmakers, and politicians think that students don't vote. This year SCARE THEM and vote.

Signed,

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Campus News

Life's a Beach



Manny Gomez chills at the beach Party.

PHOTO BY MIKE COCOZZELLA

by Mike "Hat Trick" Cocozzella
Voice Staff

Anyone looking for a wet and wild good time could have found it at the Worcester State Homecoming Beach Party last Friday in the Student Center. The event featured an open air, 3,500 gallon hot tub heated to 100 degrees, along with a smaller hot tub. These were very popular despite the fact that it was extremely cold outside. People basically stripped down to their underwear and jumped right in, pneumonia be damned. There was plenty of other stuff to keep your senses hopelessly overloaded for awhile.

WSCW faithfully provided the music. They also provided two wooden cut-out setups for picture taking. One transformed you into either a pumped-up guy or a bikini-clad woman with a perfect figure, while another magically transported you to

a warm, sunny beach. Picture frames for your treasured photograph could be had for a measly two bucks.

The Class of 1999 sponsored non-alcoholic frozen drinks in conjunction with alcohol awareness week. One Lancer Place was open for anyone over 21 who wanted beverages with a little more zing. The Beach Party also had a miniature golf area, a twister mat... the whole gig was a veritable free for all of fun.

The Beach Party was sponsored by the Student Events Committee, in conjunction with the Vermont based Ray Boston productions. The SEC schedules a program on the Friday nights of each homecoming weekend.

"SEC is trying to do things for people to get involved in and have a good time," said Kate Negri, the SEC Treasurer.

Homeless Sleepout Rained Out!

by Michael Cocozzella
Voice Staff

The Worcester State chapter of MASSPIRG staged the MASSPIRG Sleepout For The Homeless last Wednesday, October 23. Steadily increasing rain that led to the event's postponement did not dampen the spirits of those hearty few who participated. Armed with umbrellas, raincoats, rubber boots, and enormous cardboard boxes which would provide them shelter for the evening, Ajayi Harris, the campus student organizer for Masspirg, and Worcester State students Corinne Grosky and Erica Elson were quite prepared for anything Mother Nature could have thrown at them.

MASSPIRG (Massachusetts Public Interest Research Group) is a state-sponsored college campus environmental group that organizes students around important issues like hunger, homelessness, and the environment. There are 22 other MASSPIRG chapters in Massachusetts.

Students participating in last Wednesday's Sleepout For The Homeless were to spend the night sleeping outside,

between Worcester State's Sullivan and Administration buildings. All they would have had to provide them shelter from the night were refrigerator boxes, not their warm, cozy homes.

"Sleeping out in cardboard boxes brings current homeless problems straight to the campus," said Ajayi Harris.

"We hope to gain an understanding of how homeless people actually live," said Worcester State student Corinne Grosky.

Students participating in the sleepout asked for pledge money, from any number of people, based on how much time they would spend outside. Students receive their pledge money even if they don't sleep out, however. So, if you're not yet a part of this and you would really like to try to make a difference in the lives of the homeless, you don't have to spend all night outside if you don't want to. And, as always, you can count on Worcester State Student MASSPIRG keeping you posted when a make-up date for the rained out sleepout is announced.

LATIN HERATIGE WEEK IN A NUTSHELL

by Michael Cocozzella
Voice Staff

This is Latin Heritage Week at Worcester State College. Latin Heritage Week is sponsored by Third World Alliance, a Worcester State College minority organization, and was planned by TWA's Latin Subcommittee. This week's events, Monday's fashion show, Wednesday's lecture by Roberto Santiago, and tomorrow's Latin Music Festival, serve to spotlight the growing Worcester State College latin population, and it's increasing involvement in the school.

Take Worcester State student Manny Gomez, for example. Manny has his own Latino show on WSCW, the campus radio station. He is somewhat of a pioneer, because he is the first WSCW DJ ever to broadcast an ethnic show. The Manny Gomez Show features lots of Latino music and, of course, Gomez himself heating up the air as he speaks in his native tongue. He uses the show as a vehicle to reach out to the Worcester State Latino population. It gives them a chance to sit down at lunchtime, which is when the show comes on the air, and enjoy themselves as they listen to their native music. Manny also hopes his show helps to engender in WSC Latinos a solid feeling of unity with the school's other races.

"One way or another, by having that show, I can reach out to a lot of Latin people in

the school, and I wouldn't be able to do it in another way," Gomez says.

Gomez himself has taken a big part in the organization of Latin Heritage Week. He is the vice-president of Third World Alliance, and is a member of TWA's Latin Subcommittee. Gomez has reaped some nice benefits from his involvement in this week's planning. He says, "I've had an opportunity to meet Latin students in the school that I didn't know they exist, because we have come together to do this event, planning and stuff like that, I have had the chance to meet them. I'm becoming a popular guy around the school." Gomez adds, "TWA is a minority organization. We are like a family. It's good to have it because sometimes you feel alone in the school, sometimes you don't know a lot of people, sometimes you just came into the school and you don't even know or speak the language well...by joining TWA you can find people that will talk to you in your language, you can find help with your classes, you feel more comfortable and you feel like you are backed up by someone."

Tomorrow's dance party will be in the Student Center from 9pm to 2am. Students with an ID get in for two dollars, while their 18 and over guests get in for three. A talented group of musicians will be playing the best in Latin music, including Salsa, Merengue, Jazz, and Reggae. Manny Gomez himself will be DJ-ing. Have fun.

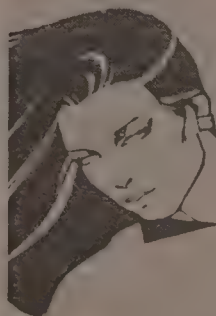
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RB Todd Daskowski goes long.



Caputo connects with Daskowski for a first down.

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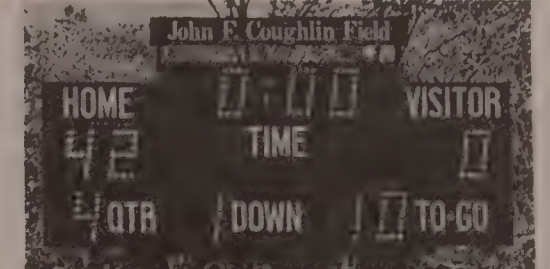
Ross Becker & Steve Hathaway discuss the slaughtering, as Paul Sliwoski giggles in amusement.



The Westfield team catches hell after the ass-whipping.



The Lancer's pulled a Jose Canseco after the victory.



Self-explanatory

Stats N' Stuff

New England Football Conference Totals

-Division 3 football totals -

The Lancers are the top rated Division three football team in New England. They lead the league in total offense, scoring offense, passing efficiency defense, turnover margin, placekicking, and kickoff returns. Here's what the numbers look like:

Total Offense - The Lancers have accumulated 2,980 yards on the season with an average of 425 yards per game.

Turnover Margin - The Lancers have forced 33 turnovers throughout seven games.

Passing Efficiency Defense - With 19 interceptions through seven games, 5 have been run into the zone. The combined total passing yards of opponents is a mere 658 through seven games, while the Lancers have accumulated 1,283 yards on the pass.

Kickoff Returns - Bill Molinari leads the league in number of kickoff returns. On 6 returns, he has gained 216 yards.

Placekicking - With 26 PATs on the season, Jose Ribeiro is the leading placekicker in New England.

scoring offense - State is averaging a cool 37 points a game.

Sack Leaders

Defensive end **Steve Hathaway** has made 10 sacks on 43 tackles.
Defensive back **Trey Pizzetti** is responsible for 6 sacks, 22 tackles and 3 interceptions.
Linebacker **Scott Holland** has tackled 69 guys and sacked 5 quarterbacks.
Defensive back **Tony Reno** has recorded 4 sacks on 36 tackles.
Defensive end **Tony Depiro** has 3.5 sack attacks on 25 tackles.

Offensive crew

Top go-to **Bryan Keats** is ranked fourth in New England for receiving yards with 475 on the season. He is ranked third on catches per game - 32 total, with an average of 4.6 catches per game.
Tailback **Bill Molinari** is ranked 3rd in New England with 585 all-purpose yards. He leads the leads in kickoff returns with 6 for 216 yards.
Jeff **Caputo** is the top rated quarterback in the NEFC with 1,216 passing yards and 462 rushing yards. On the pass, he has 91 completions on 177 attempts.
Tailback **Todd Daskowski** has racked up 303 rushing yards on the season.
Tailback **Ron Palumbo** is second place in New England on punt returns with 16 returns for 198 yards. He has racked up 270 receiving yards.
Wide receiver **Chris Desisto** has racked up 155 receiving yards.
Tight end **Ross Becker** has accumulated 162 yards on 13 catches.

Slaughtering on Coughlin Field

Westfield held to 55 yards and no points as Worcester goes Ballistic

by Marcy Lambiras
Sports Editor

It was lights out for the Owls on Homecoming, as they were mutilated in front of 3,711 Worcester fans.

Quarterback Jeff Caputo was named MVP and ECAC offensive player of the week. He accumulated 182 passing yards and 124 rushing yards, scoring two TDs by foot and one by arm, for 18 Lancer points. That cat doesn't mess around.

Defensive back Derrick Murphy received the Ed Sliwoski award for his defensive performance: six tackles, a pass breakup, two interceptions, and a fumble recovery in the zone. Murphy was named the ECAC defensive player of the week as well. He is currently leading the league in interceptions.

Jose Ribeiro made history as the leading Lancer kicker of all-time. He aced 6 PATs on Saturday, bringing his kicking tally to 71 points. Ribeiro is tops in the league, among placekickers.

Westfield was blanked, but you wouldn't know that judging by the faces coming off of

that field. The Lancers weren't satisfied with the blowout.

Just as Jose Canseco nails a 4-bagger and runs the bases with looks that could kill, this ball club finished the game with some serious attitude.

Worcester entered the game with the top ranked Division 3 defense in the country. Opponents have been averaging minus-7 yards rushing prior to the slaughtering, but the Lancers were feeling festive on Homecoming. Westfield was given a gift: 42 yards rushing.

This Lancer bout started out like any other, on a first quarter killing spree. Just to let the Owls know who was who right up front, wide receiver Chris Desisto returned the opening kick to the Westfield 24.

This slick move set up a Bill Molinari run: 12 yards straight to The Zone.

Westfield was greeted by this welcoming committee just two minutes into the game. Quarterback Jeff Caputo said further hellos to the

Owls, on a first quarter sneak attack. He weaseled his way into the zone on a 3 yard run, then changed his strategy to an air attack, connecting with tailback Todd Daskowski on a 7 yard dinger. Score: 21-0 with three quarters left to go.

In the second quarter, Derrick Murphy recovered a fumble in the end zone, bringing the damage total to 28. If Westfield came to town looking for a win, then they had some serious thinking to do during the half-time reality check.

After the half-time bonanza, the Lancers came out ready to play ball. The Owls, well... perhaps they play their best games at night.

Halfway through the third, tailback Todd Daskowski plowed through the Westfield defense on a 31 yard run - and you can guess where he brought that sucker.

Caputo followed suit with the ol' sneak attack: a trek into the zone on foot. The Owls didn't know what hit them. Having eyes in the back of your head just isn't enough, when you're in Lancer territory.

The fourth quarter remained scoreless, and perhaps holds the key to the mystery of why the Lancers left the field with mugs. Worcester State lost 150 yards due to penalties. Despite a 13 minute extended trip to the red zone in the fourth quarter, the Owls couldn't even put a lousy 3 points on the board. The shut-out prevailed and the final damage total read 42-0 (see above photo).

The Owls were minus-10 yards on punt returns. They did muster up 141 yards on kickoff returns, but were running to nowhere with that sucker, as the score reflects.

Worcester tore up the field with 534 total offensive yards - 182 in the air, 352 on the ground. Westfield gained 55 yards of total offense - 13 via the arm, 42 on foot.

The blowout has extended the Lancers' win streak to sixteen straight. They remain the number 1 team in New England, leading the ECAC with 7 wins. Bridgewater occupies the number 7 slot with a 5-2 record, and will be site for this week's grudge match.



The Defensive Unit gets ready to rumble: Derrick Murphy (25), Mike Paladino (9), Trey Pizzetti (28), Tony Depiro (71), Scott Holland (43).

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Lancer Volleyball: Up Close and Personal

by Roula M. Yousef
Voice Staff

The Lady Lancer's Homecoming Volleyball game started with a bang!

The six dedicated players of the team were eager to get on the court and play. They dominated during the first half of the first game. The score was 7-12, Worcester was in the lead, but then Regis came back. Luckily, Worcester pulled through and won a close first game, 16-14.

The crowd was small, yet many encouragements came from the stands and this

helped the players. The second game started strongly with Judy Malekas saving the ball several times. Unfortunately all the saves didn't pull them through and Worcester lost this second game at 7-15. Now the stakes were higher with a win for each team.

The third game was very tense. The ladies were a little discouraged at the dominance of Regis due to their quick lead of 1-11. Luckily they hung in there, thanks to Justine Lizotte's strong serves, but they lost

that game 6-15. Amy Sulham was on the floor briefly, but luckily she didn't hurt her knee too badly. This definitely would have been a disaster since there are no fill-ins. After that, the team couldn't concentrate.

The fourth and last game ended rather sorely at 1-15 giving Regis the match at 3-1.

The team works very hard together, but with no substitutes available it's very tough on them. Several players are playing with

minor injuries. Co-coaches Graham and Ringer weren't discouraged as they pointed this out. They also mentioned that the first game is an example of how the team plays.

There is one more game this season for the Women's Volleyball team. It's against Mass. Maritime tonight at 7:00. Come and show your support.

FIELD HOCKEY REPORT

By Kinga Slowinska
Voice Staff

Worcester State's record is a roller coaster ride (the most stomach-turning, butterfly-producing, turbulent one you can think of!). Now, 1-2 in the MASCAC conference due to a disappointing loss to Fitchburg State, Worcester State needs to return to last week to re-experience the glory of winning because this week definitely won't satisfy. Another unwanted addition to the loss-list came on Saturday (Oct. 26) against Assump-



Lancers had a renewed confidence, now after a week of two losses, the girls are back to the drawing board.

Thursday (Oct. 24), housed the sloppy, yet quick-paced, game against Fitchburg State. It didn't seem like anyone had a spark of hunger in them to win, and if they did have it then it wasn't implemented effectively through anyone's performance. This day seemed to be an off-day for all the players, no one doing extremely poorly or exceptionally well. Fitchburg State must have been overcome by the same phenomenon, resulting in a scoreless game which went into overtime. Seven on seven once again, the story of the season for WSC. Well, the tie was ended when Fitchburg scored, resulting in a loss of 1-0 for Worcester State.

Saturday (Oct. 26) was a different story. Everyone had a good game this time and even worked together (what a concept!). The forward line was passing extremely well, the links were nicely getting

the ball to the offense, and the defense was forcefully rejecting the ball out of the circle every time it came down. However, the referees were ridiculous, obviously paid very well to make the game a joke and not worth playing for Worcester State. Corners (and the refs) were Assumption's friend in this game. Without Assumption's key scorers, referee #1 and referee #2, this day may have yielded a win for the Lady Lancers. Sporting the festive colors of Halloween (orange and black), these two pumpkins needed to be smashed. But, not to blame everything on the referees, WSC did have some trouble scoring, even though a great game was played. In the end, the score was 2-0 and Tara Tokarz was Homecoming's "Player of the Day."

One week with twelve goals in three games, the next with no goals in two games, the Lady Lancer's are definitely having a roller coaster of a season. In the beginning of the year it was a problematic conglomeration of scoring, lack of teamwork, and lack of communication. The major problem, this week seems to be scoring. The teamwork and communication dimensions



to the problem are temporarily in the background for a change, constantly being worked on, pampered, and improved. So like the other problems the team has faced, the scoring one will be approached with trial-and-error solutions and a lot of hard work and determination.

The Last Games of the Season
are Westfield State (away) Today
at 7PM and Bridgewater State
(away) on Monday Nov. 1

Happy Halloween!!!

tion, making WSC's overall record 5-7. After last week's three victories the Lady



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Marlborough Shamrocks Win EFL Title

by David Spencer
Editor-in-Chief

The Marlborough Shamrocks (12-0) won their sixth straight Eastern Football League Championship title last Saturday night at Kelleher Field in Marlborough. Their opponents, the Granite State Warriors (11-2) came talking trash, but proved to be no match for the Shams.

Marlborough won the toss, but were unable to score on their first possession. On their second possession, Kicker Keith Dalzell (#15) scored 3 points on a field goal.

Granite State quickly responded to this

with their own field goal from Jeff Beckley (#17), to tie it up at 3-3.

Marlborough took the lead again on a touchdown pass from quarterback Dave Palazzi (#8) to Wide Receiver "Hot" Rodd Patton (#86), who is called this due to his incredible speed. Dalzell kicked the extra point to make it 10-3 in favor of the Shamrocks.

Running Back Brian McGee (#12) padded the lead with a touchdown run. Again Dalzell kicked the extra point to make it 17-

3 at the end of the first half.

The Shamrocks added to their lead in the third quarter with a touchdown pass to Rich Gedeon (#82). The extra point made it 24-3.

Granite State didn't take this one lying down, and scored their own touchdown on a pass to Dan Harris (#22) Jeff Beckley scored the extra point to make it 24-10.

In the fourth quarter, Marlborough's Brian McGee scored again, with the extra point, the game ended at 31-10.

Brain McGee was named player of the game for his outstanding runs and two touchdowns.

Both the Shamrocks and the Warriors will enter the United States Football Association/Minor League Football Alliance playoffs. The Shams will play next Saturday at Kelleher field in Marlborough.

For information on game time or directions, you can call the Prospector East Saloon in Marlborough at (508) 485-9072.

Woman's Soccer Team Haunts Pine Manor

by Michael Cocozzella
Voice Staff

It was a beautiful, sunny fall Homecoming morning last Saturday at McCoughlin Field as the women's soccer teams from Worcester State and Pine Manor locked horns, but the Pine Manor ladies had to be thinking, "Who'll stop the rain?" after a devastating deluge of Lady Lancer goals. Worcester State won 8-0 in a game in which they outran, outthought, and outplayed their opponent at every turn. The Lady Lancers cheerful, confident, and energetic manner during pre game warm-ups seemed to guarantee a victory, and boy, what a victory it was.

The Lancers built a 4-0 first half lead as they controlled the ball virtually the entire time. Their strangling defense was the catalyst for their explosive offense, for Worcester State quickly seized the ball away anytime Pine Manor had it. Worcester State, in fact, dominated the ball so thoroughly during the game that Pine Manor never once got off a shot on goal.

Sophomore Lancer midfielder Amy Warrington had two goals and two assists and was named the game's Most Valuable Player. The game's most exciting play came during the first half, courtesy of sophomore Lancer forward Julie Mitza. Mitza was the only Lancer around

for miles when she got the ball at midfield, after the WSC defense had caused Pine Manor to relinquish yet another possession. With her teammates in another time zone and two Pine Manor defenders sticking to her like glue, Mitza ran the ball the rest of the way downfield for an unassisted goal. Danielle McCaffrey, who scored two goals, Maure Cushing, Heidi Quigley, and Shanna Beals rounded out the game's scoring.

"Throughout the season the team played well together, communicated well, supported each other, and worked together to win the games," said Lancer second year head coach Kim Miller. She added, "This game laid the groundwork for our upcoming match against Salem State, which is a very important game for us as far as our final overall standing in the MASCAC league is concerned (The Lancers are now 9-7-1). Amy Warrington was nominated the MVP,

but everyone overall contributed to the win. It was a team effort."

Other important contributors to the success of this year's team are goaltender Jen Spury, forwards Erin Winn, Christine Willar, Maura Cushing, Heidi Quigley, Cherie Maynard, Katie Johnson, and Nicole White, midfielders Kathy Sullivan, Kerri Marani, and Jennifer Thorp, defenders Nikki

Lussier and Amy Strozina, and halfback Brooke Gordon. The women's soccer team plays their last game of the season at Salem State at 3:30 today. The games are a great deal of fun, with all the whooping and hollering and cheering from the Worcester State players (and coaches), so if you can make it, please join in on the festivities.



DAVE SPENCER PHOTO

RUGBY TEAM ON A TEAR

Opponents Squashed as State Remains Undefeated

by: Joe Lynch
Actual Rugger



Joe Lynch is a rugger, not an english major. He feels it like it is.

How sweet it is! The Worcester State rugby team is without a loss this season. The team has had it's share of problems, but doesn't seem to care.

The squad traveled to host Weslyan, where the motto is "We have more money than you."

Worcester cleaned house.

With a team that has ruggers which have never played this wonderful game, they sure did administer a beating. State's punishing hits clearly won this match. A tri by Worcester's own Beastie Boy Mike D, and an added point by JB "Pork Belly", were the deciding factors that out-scored Weslyan.

Rock N' Roll baby!

Our lovely scrum rock-and

rolled! Veteran Gidge "Sausage" was striking the ball back like a true hooker. The backs ran a solid game. Vets like Mark "no nickname needed" Silver performed to the best of his best ability.

One rookie thought that vomiting was a good defensive strategy.

The final score 8-7. Worcester takes the cake.

Blood, Sweat and Tears

Worcester then made their way to New England College and I will tell you this: If we were wearing kilts, it would have looked like a scene out of Braveheart. Blood, sweat...but no tears were shed.

This was State's most physical game so far. I can't remember what exactly happened out there, but we came out on top. Robbie "Carrothead" and Mark "nnnn" Silver both scored tries for us. Many battles took place on the pitch, some ending in fist fights. (But rugby is an Elegant Violence.)

Wacked in the Head

When the fury cleared, the men from NEC were gracious hosts. Scotty "Soccer" added another 3 points to secure a hard

fought win. I believe the final was 17-10 but add some stunning hits to the head and I can't remember if we were winning or losing! Most of all, everyone had some serious fun out there - and that's what it's all about!

Round Three

We packed our bags again and took a trip to the farm. This time, the farm was only 20 minutes away, in nearby Dudley. Worcester was looking for a much needed revenge against Nichols. State was undefeated last spring, on a cold, rainy day. This time, the weather was the same; with cold, wind, and rain in the air.

It took Worcester about seven min-

utes to score first. They just kept rolling in after that.

4-score Kevin

Four, yes four, tries were scored by Kevin "did he really play?" Speed-racers like Mark Silver, Adam Ribs, and Carrothead Cone added 15 more points to the damage total, bringing that sucker up to 39-0 (no, not a misprint).

The backs played a sensational game, scoring all but four points, which were scored by kicks. They ran like steroid-induced freaks. The pack, on the other hand, did their job of getting the ball out, but did not play like they have in previous games.

The Rugby Club is open to anyone looking for a good, cheap, time.

- Call Chuck @ 792-6202 or Mark @ 795-0110 -

Or show up at the softball field on Tues. & Thurs. 4pm.



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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

The Comic Strip

By Dave Spencer

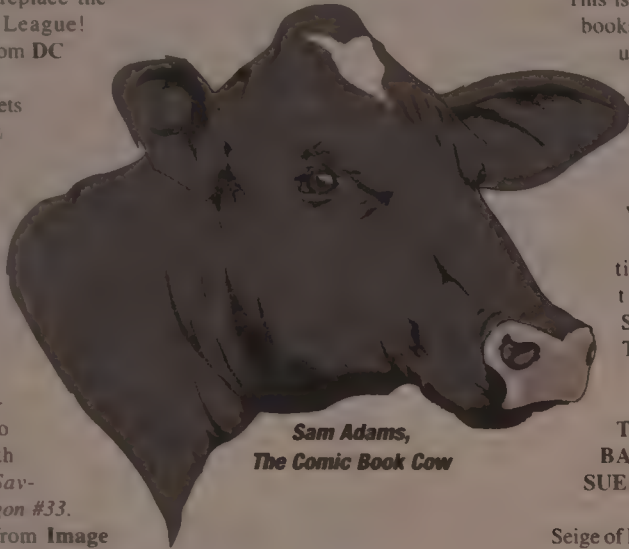
You Tiny-Brained Wipers of Other People's Bottoms!! (insert bad french accent here)

The Justice League returns next month in a new series entitled, oddly enough, *JLA*. The first storyline features the Hyperclan, a group of super-powered aliens who have come to replace the Justice League!

This is from DC Comics.

Steel gets a new look, city and job in the next issue of his ongoing series.

Look for Rapture to give birth in *The Savage Dragon* #33. This is from Image Comics and Highbrow Entertainment.



Sam Adams,
The Comic Book Cow

This is a list of books scheduled to be in stores this week from Milestone Media. Hardware #46.

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Vertigo

THE
BACK IS-
SUE BIN

Seige of Darkness (aka lots of titles including Ghost Rider, Nightstalkers, Dr. Strange, Darkhold, etc.)

Publisher: Marvel Comics

Writer: Lots

Pencils: Lots

Inks: Lots

Wizard Guide Value: Don't even ask me to compute a number so large before I've had my morning coffee!

This story was one of them super-massive-gotta-buy-em-all-or-not-understand-the-story-one-iota storylines. In this storyline, the Midnight Sons were threatened with the return of Lilith and her children. They also had to face the rebirth of Zarathos (the former Ghost Rider). Can the midnight Sons endure the return of a force they barely beat once, and who is now allied with an even more powerful force?

OUT THIS WEEK:

Dark Horse Comics

This is a list of books scheduled to be in stores this week from Dark Horse Comics.

Adventures of the Mask #10, and Usagi Yojimbo #6.

DC Comics

This is a list of books scheduled to be in stores this week from Dark Horse Comics.

Catwoman #40. The Flash #120. Green Lantern Gallery, Legion of Super-Heroes #87, Robin Plus #1, The Spectre #48, Superman #119, Teen Titans #3, Wonder Woman #116 and Worlds Finest: Superboy/Robin #1.

Note to readers of the Jack Dogg comics:

The staff cartoonist would like to apologize for the bizarre setbacks that have puzzled anyone who has attempted to read JACK DOGG and all the preceding cartoons; most likely due to the fact that the comic is about one-sixth its original size when it gets printed. I do not blame my editors for this disturbing inconvenience, however we might as well forgive and forget, and will resume JACK DOGG at part two (one issue after number one if you don't already know that we already printed the second issue). So, in a nutshell, the following comics that will be printed is part two of the epic stories of JACK DOGG. If you want to read some of my previous works, or read the back issues to JACK DOGG (there's only one), my suggestion is to pick up some back issues of the Voice, get a magnifying glass and read the print, although in future publications I will type out the letters so you can actually read my comic.

-TO WHOMEVER WITH RESPECT
CLAUDIO SALAZAR
STAFF CARTOONIST

I Want My Mummy!!!

A Review of Mummy: Tomb of the Pharaoh

by David Spencer
Editor-in-Chief

In Mummy, you play Michael Cameron, a facilitator for the National Mining Corporation (NMC). There have been some problems at one of the company's Egyptian sites that you have been assigned to fix.

All you know when you get off of the plane is that an artifact has been found in the mine. The Egyptologist on-site, and your ex-girlfriend, Lorrie is studying the box to determine it's authenticity. If it's real, the mine will be shut down by the Egyptian authorities.

When the box was found, the workers all refused to continue working. By the time you meet with Stuart Davenport, NMC's on-site director, the workers are working again, but there is still the problem with the box.

You wake up the next morning to find that Jerry Segal, the site's geologist, has been murdered.

Now you have to solve the murder without attracting too much attention to yourself (not the easiest thing to do when you have Davenport dogging your every step), and discover whether or not the mine is haunted.

The game takes place in a first person view, similar to *The 7th Guest*. My only hesitance in buying this game was that it's biggest hype was not graphics or ease of play, but that it starred Malcolm McDowell as Stuart Davenport. My fears were unfounded. While the play control takes a bit of getting used to, the game is very fun.

The Macintosh version system requirements are: a 256-color 13" or larger monitor, 5120K

of free RAM, 22MB of hard disk space, a 2X speed or faster CD ROM, and system 7.1 or later. Mummy: Tomb of the Pharaoh is accelerated for Power Macs. I give Mummy 3 stars out of a possible four.



The Adventures of Jack Dogg

by Claudio Salazar



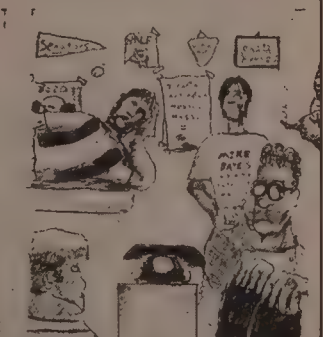
Like a pile of broken old red-labeled beta tapes, JACK DOGG'S hard times are passe'. Nowadays he is a renewed chap, full of life and vigour.



These days, Jack works part time at a concert hall as a security guard, spending the rest of his time doing whatever comes to mind



..for instance, monday he and some of his friends went out and applied for jobs as volunteer policemen.



They spent the rest of the week of Megget's apartment waiting to get a call from the police to fight a crime



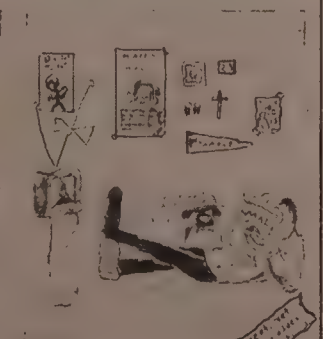
But by Friday no one called. Frustrated, some of Jack's friends became bitter and turned to a life of crime for amusement



Eventually, all of his friends became criminals; Jack, however, remained true and steadfast.



With all his extra free time, Jack lands another job days as an operator for the local drawbridge crew



..but nothing gives him passion as much as his capades as a volunteer for the police, even though he's never called to duty.

A & E

Dining Out the College Way

With Trish and Roula

This week, Roula and I went to the Bravo Cafe on Highland Street. We walked in this European style cafe-restaurant and were immediately greeted by the hostess.

We are always promptly greeted. So from now on unless otherwise stated please assume that we had a good experience with the hostess.

Bravo's menu is abundant with choices. These are a few of the types of lunches available: Soups, salads,

flame-broiled burgers, gourmet pizzas, pasta dishes, hot sandwiches and about six other specials.

Their menu is very universal. It includes American (burgers), Greek (gyro), Italian (pastas), Spanish (fajitas) just to name a few. I was impressed with the wide array of choices. They have a kids menu, vegetarian dishes, and even plates with a heart next to them. This signifies a low fat, low cholesterol, and nutritious plate.

We ordered a cappuccino for Roula and a plain cup of coffee for myself. A few minutes later the waitress came over to tell us that they had turned on the cappuccino machine in the morning but forgot to fill it with water, therefore, the cappuccino couldn't be made. Instead Roula ordered a cup of coffee.

We debated for a while over which appetizer to order. The problem was easily solved, we opted for Bravo's combination platter for \$5.95. This included mozzarella sticks (3), chicken wings (3), potato skins (4), spicy fried ravioli (5), homemade marinara sauce and sour cream.

The appetizer was appetizing. I like the chicken wings and I rarely eat them. So thumbs up on the wings. The ravioli was a little cold and would have tasted better had it been defrosted beforehand.

Although this may not have the healthiest choice, it was quite savory.

I also ordered the Greek Gyro, a combination of lamb and beef slices with tomatoes and onions and Mama's homemade

tsatsiki sauce (yogurt and cucumber) wrapped in a thick Grecian pita, \$3.95. I still don't know how to pronounce the word properly, so if you have any suggestions, feel free to call the voice. The meal was fantastic but if you plan on

kissing anyone afterwards, I'd suggest that either you bring a toothbrush or have the cook hold the onions.

Trish, "Gyro" just say "guy.ro" and roll the R.

I had the pesto chicken, one of the specials available that day. It's a boneless breast of chicken topped with pesto and provolone served with the french fries, tomatoes, and lettuce. I enjoyed it but the bread they used wasn't up to par. Its the 8 rolls for \$.99 you find at every supermarket. I hope they just ran out of the good stuff.

Our total came to \$17.38 including tax. Stop by the Bravo on Tuesdays evening at 9:30 p.m. for Karyoke. The experience is worth it.

The variety of dishes they offer is too good to pass up.



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LONDON SUITE AT FOOTHILLS THEATRE

by Teresa M. Iaconi
Cultural Maven

Currently in the midst of a month-long run at Worcester's Foothills Theatre, Neil Simon's "London Suite" is enjoying a particularly successful stay as the Foothills' opening show of the 1996-97 season. Though perhaps not his best-known or most successful play, "London Suite" is certainly a credit to this immensely successful playwright, whose other works have made him perhaps one of the most highly regarded playwrights of this century.

Performed by highly skilled actors around a solid, if modest, set, "London Suite" takes place, naturally, in suite 224 in a particular hotel in London. The play centers around the goings-on in the suite as several different guests occupy it, bringing into the suite their individual circumstances crises. The first of the four one-act plays was of note; it centered around the conversation between two men, alternately holding one another at

gunpoint, and the odd conclusion that the two reach as a result of this discourse. This particular play was beautifully performed, but one came away with the impression that the writing itself was somehow disjointed; it had a somewhat disorganized and hurried tone to it. The second play followed in much the same way and seemed sort of lackluster. Chronicaling the conversation between a woman and her former husband who is dying of AIDS, the material is quite touching and extremely well executed, but again leaves the viewer dissatisfied. Following an intermission, the third play was much more satisfying: centered around a mother and her daughter, it was well-written and beautifully executed, sensitive and logical, while preserving humor. Not to be dismissed as a "chick flick," as my companion so tactfully referred to it, the third play was by far the best of the three. The final performance was

much more of a slapstick sort; the implausible story centered around a young couple and their rather unbelievable mishaps as they lose, and then injure themselves searching for, their Wimbledon tickets. The actors held up remarkably through this particularly difficult performance, which involved a great deal of physical comedy on the part of the actors.

On the whole, one came away from the evening very much enthralled with the actors themselves, but somewhat dissatisfied with Simon's writing, which I personally expected to be somehow much more phenomenally exciting than it actually was. The upcoming season looks extremely promising for the Foothills Theatre, providing that they choose to run plays that are perhaps a bit more cohesively written than "London Suite."

London Chamber Music Orchestra at Mechanics Hall

by Teresa M. Iaconi
"call me Mozart"

Boasting some of the world's most accomplished chamber musicians, the London Chamber Music Orchestra performed recently at Mechanics Hall, to a near-capacity crowd. The talent and skill of these musicians was evident throughout the nearly flawless performance they gave, as they deftly maneuvered through selections that were superbly handled, to say the least. The orchestra began with a selection from Mozart which was well performed, but could not necessarily be called a "show stopper;" the second selection, from Hayden, was also beautifully done, but once again, there was little to distinguish that performance from any other that one might hear on the radio. However, the music that followed the twenty minute intermission was

well worth the wait. The orchestra performed Arvo Part's "Cantus in memory of Benjamin Britten," which was written for Britten, one of Part's mentors. This piece, though very solemn and perhaps even depressing, was perhaps the most beautiful selection I have ever experienced. Part's composition is unique in that it employs a single bell throughout the selection, which is "weaved" around the sound of the bell, basically slowing by half a meter after each sounding of the single bell. The piece, quietly and powerfully climactic, gave one a tremendous impression not only of Arvo Part, but also of the musicians who so beautifully and skillfully interpreted his music. The evening's performance ended with another selection from Mozart, which was well

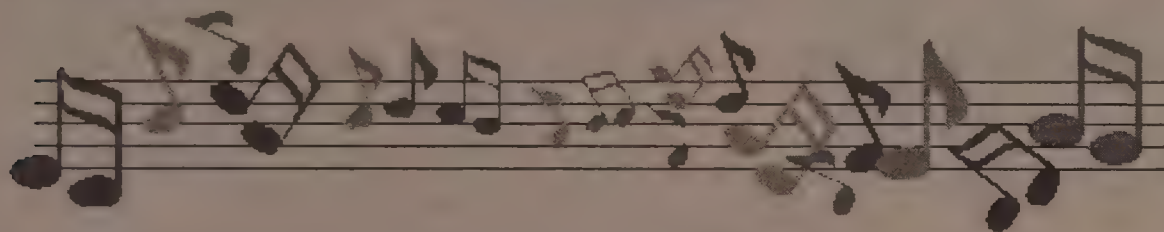
done and also much more "alive" than those performances which opened the concert. Particularly enthralling during the entire concert was witnessing firsthand the intense energy with which the musicians, particularly the violists and the violinists, performed. It is said by some that chamber music concerts are notoriously boring, and indeed there were some members of the audience who appeared to doze for much of the duration, but my impression of chamber music was absolutely greatly improved after having seen this concert. Once again, this globally renowned group of musicians has reasserted their position as one of the world's premier chamber music orchestras.



WSC's Department of Visual and Performing Arts will present The Love of the Nightingale by Timberlake Wertenbaber, on November 21, 22, 23 and 24 in the Administration Theatre. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday performances are scheduled for 8 p.m.; the Sunday matinee begins at 2 p.m.

The play, which premiered in 1988 by the Royal Shakespeare Company, is a modern dramatization of the classical tale of Princess Philomele, who, having been raped by her brother-in-law, is then silenced when she attempts to call out her violator. Her brutality of her loss of speech is a mythological prototype of the silencing of victims; Philomele, in her transformed state as the melodious nightingale, is a figure used by poets from Ovid through T.S. Eliot.

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★ ★ ★ MEET THE SENATORS! ★ ★ ★

SEN. KERRY
SEN. KENNEDY

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We know Worcester State College students aren't shy! You share your opinions and offer insightful suggestions on a variety of issues. Now, your college needs your input.

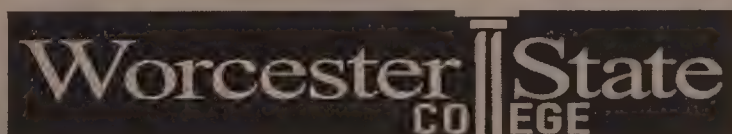
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Thank you,

Joseph Webber
Chair, Graphic Identity Committee



(A)



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Yes, count my vote!

Submitted by (please print):

Please Check One Logo Design:

Logo A ☐

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Name

Major

Class Year

Poetry Page

Ode To My Brother

Michael was my big Brother
He was a gentle and kind person
We had a great baseball card collection
Sports and cars were passions of his
We didn't always get along
but who ALWAYS gets along?
We had a lot of fun and laughs
He taught me how to throw a ball
and how to roller skate
He was patient with me mostly
but not all of the time
We fought and we cried
Quiet and reserved he sat
watching TV, and eating potato chips
Times changed and we drifted apart
As the years went on we kept in touch
but we didn't have much to talk about
What seemed to be a few benign illnesses
plagued Mike for some time
Suddenly, death came to him
and he was taken away from our family
Pneumonia was the official cause given
Twenty-nine years young and now
he is gone forever
It has been nearly six years since then
Sadness and grief, but life goes on
I miss my Brother very, very much
and I will always love him
Michael William Smith 1960-1990
Godspeed Mike...

Christopher M. Smith

*If I should return
(the worth of it all)*

*before me air hangs
clean*

*and dead--
cloth falling*

*to the ground
rolls upward
feathers fold in shadow--
leaves tumble uphill spilling
over sidewalks*

*i follow forward up Carlisle St.
past cold wrought iron
fences, smeared windows
peeling back the layers*

*of each face
in search of significance
as actors--
something slips
slowly*

*and i shrink back
into myself--
time is etching stone
-with water*

Keith Ozeau

THE TWILIGHT GIRL

HE LOOKED AT HER FACE
THAT BEAUTIFUL ARTIFICIAL FACE
AND HE WAS CAUGHT UP IN THE MESH OF HER LIES
CONSUMED BY LUST
HIS BODY AFLAME WITH DESIRE
HE FOLLOWED HER SWINGING HIPS
LIKE A FAITHFUL DOG FOLLOWING HIS MASTER
HER ICY RINGING LAUGHTER SAID IT ALL
ANOTHER VICTIM GOES DOWN THE DRAIN.

Rosa
by Mike Morgan

Elven Beauty skipped from one end to the other
Her eyes sparkled and danced as the skirt whirled
The eyes of the supplicants followed
Bodies unable to move
their hearts beat
Their legs stiff
The music the beat
The Elven maiden skipped and jumped
Offerings to Aphrodite adorned the rail
The priestess took the offering
All was seen
Nothing changed one heart to the others
But a smile and a tease.

A Winter's Day in a Hot Place

It happened on day
out in the hills,
where this beautiful ski bunny
gave me the chills.

She looked at me, smiling
some
as I felt her vibes
not once, but twice

The memories and special
times we share together
mean so much, I shall
always treasure.

And even though we're
two hundred miles apart.
There will always be a
special place for you in my heart..

The times we spent
and shared together
I will always cherish,
hold and remember.

The little things you do and say
that mean so much,
will never be forgotten like
the way I've been touched.

There are times of sadness and
night of life,
but sometimes we have to
face all of the above.

There's the short note
you should always remember
My heart and love is
for you
always and forever.

DO YOU KNOW ME?

The sun rises
mildly, the air
is clear & blue
the road is straight
the air is mild

The sun falls
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by Mike Morgan

lightless corridors
weeping walls
cast shadows upon
memories
shattered by TRUTH
shards of yesterday scatter
never to be pieced again
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KERRY, KENNEDY MAKE CAMPAIGN STOP AT WSC



En route to Election Day, Senators Ted Kennedy and John Kerry, along with U.S. Secretary of Education Richard Riley, paid a visit to Worcester State College Thursday to discuss education and the campaign, as well as to answer some questions from members of the audience. Arriving nearly a half hour late for their 2:30 speaking engagement, the Senators and Secretary were greeted outside the Student Center by a crowd of well-wishers, along with a few supporters of Governor William Weld, who is challenging Senator Kerry for his seat.

After being ushered into the Blue Lounge, our distinguished guests received a warm and eloquent welcome from SGA President Ginger Sullivan, who spoke on behalf of the Student Government Association to those in attendance about the many positive advances being made at the college. Sullivan challenged the Senators and Secretary to continue their fight for support of public higher education. Dr. Kalyan Ghosh, President of the College, thanked the Student Government Association for sponsoring the event, and also briefly greeted the speakers and thanked them for coming to WSC.

Senator Kerry, in his remarks, discussed higher education and how vital support for education is to our nation. He touted his

record as an education-oriented official, and discussed with the audience his reasons for seeking re-election to the U.S. Senate. Also on the agenda for Kerry was his opponent's record and the GOP's "assault" on families, criminals, children, and Kerry's record. In introducing his fellow speakers, Senator Kennedy and Secretary Riley, Kerry said he couldn't have been "flanked...by two better people." Secretary Riley then proceeded to discuss the successes of the Clinton administration in the field of education. However, the Secretary took leave of WSC shortly thereafter to catch a plane. While Senator Kennedy remained relatively dormant, Senator Kerry took a few questions from the audience, answering each with much emphasis on his accomplishments as a Senator, and the dangers of electing Kerry's opponent and others of his ilk to office on November 5th.

After the question and answer period, the Senators announced their departure for their next destination, but managed to squeeze in a few photo ops with the football team following the presentation of WSC football jerseys.

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WHO'S WHO IN ELECTION 1996

Tomorrow, November 5, is Election Day, and is actually one of the most significant elections to take place in decades. The stakes have never been higher, with everything from healthcare to welfare reform to cuts in federal student aid being hotly debated across America. The issues are extremely important to all of us, and for every issue, there are two or more candidates who have spent the last several months taking stands on it. As students, we have the power to take

charge of our collective destiny tomorrow, by virtue of our vote. And so, we bring to you this supplemental Election Issue of the Voice, featuring profiles of the candidates in the three major races, as well as explanations of the two ballot questions, some input from MASSPIRG, the Sierra Student Coalition, and of course, the scoop on the visit of our two distinguished senators to WSC last week. Read on and vote!

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3rd Congressional District Race

Representative Peter Blute: Republican

Jim McGovern: Democrat

Running for re-election in the Third Congressional District is Representative Peter Blute, the Republican candidate for this congressional seat. Blute attended high school in Shrewsbury and earned his B.A. from Boston College. He went on to work as an aide to Elliot Richardson during his campaign for the United States Senate. He ran successfully for Massachusetts State Representative in the Eleventh Worcester District in 1986 and was re-elected in both 1988 and 1990. During his first term in Congress, Blute was a vocal supporter of Congressional and budget reform. In the last three years, Blute has fought to pass a Balanced Budget Amendment and to give the President line-item veto authority. Blute currently serves on the Transportation and Infrastructure committees, which has allowed him to play a greater role in funding various

projects of vital concern to Massachusetts and the Third District. He also serves on the Government Reform and Oversight Committee, where he has continued to push to reduce the size of the federal bureaucracy and to root out government waste.

Blute's priorities for this session of Congress have included enactment of the "Senior Citizen Housing Safety Act," which would end the practice of mixing elderly residents with former drug addicts in senior-only public housing developments. He has also filed the Fugitive Felon Welfare Elimination Act, which was rolled into the major welfare reform bill, which was signed into law on August 22, 1996. He has been a proponent of making the adoption process easier, as well as better integrating technology into the Federal government.

Running for the Representative's seat here in the Third Congressional District is Jim McGovern, the Democratic nominee for the Congressional seat. Born and raised in Worcester, MA, McGovern is the son of two small-business owners. He earned his BA and MPA from American University in Washington, DC., during which time he worked as an aide to Senator George McGovern. He went on to manage McGovern's Presidential campaign in Massachusetts. For more than a decade, he has worked for Congressman Joe Moakley—D-South Boston. While working as an aide to Moakley, McGovern earned a reputation as a champion of human rights; in 1989, he led the investigation into the murders of six Jesuit priests and two lay women in El Salvador. His report was later validated by the United Nations Truth Commission, and resulted in a Congressional vote to termi-

nate aid to the Salvadoran army.

McGovern has been a strong advocate for biotech and environmental technology industries as a way to create jobs and spur economic growth. He believes that such

enterprises will play a major role in rebuilding this district's manufacturing base. He also believes education should be the government's number one priority. He opposes cuts in programs that help children from elementary school through college. A strong proponent of health care, McGovern says he would fight to ensure that no one will be denied health insurance because they change jobs or

have a pre-existing condition. Finally, he opposes efforts to weaken clean air and water standards. McGovern believes that government should play a key role in helping our cities and towns rebuild aging water and sewer plants.



Showdown for Senate

Senator Kerry Seeks Re-Election

Governor Weld Seeks Senate Position

(No biographical information was available on Senator Kerry.)

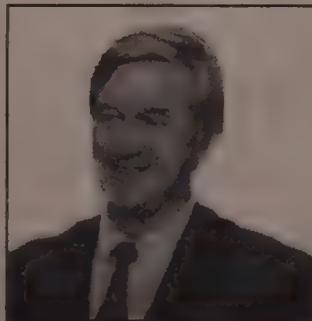
Senator John Kerry, the Democratic nominee for U.S. Senate, is seeking re-election in the state of Massachusetts. He is challenged by Governor William Weld.

During this campaign, which many have called one of the most hotly contested races in the country, Senator Kerry has touted his record on many issues which face the commonwealth, and maintains that he has served his constituents well. The Senator has particularly emphasized, among other things, his record on such issues as crime, unemployment, and education.

During his two terms as a Senator, Kerry has led the Senate fight to put 100,000 more police officers on U.S. streets, and 1,500 additional police officers have been funded for Massachusetts. He has championed the assault-weapons ban, and co-sponsored the Brady "background-check" law. Kerry was a proponent of the Minimum Wage increase, and has voted to extend unemployment benefits for unemployed workers. He opposes the "Right to Work" bill, and has voted against the

TEAM Act, which allows employers to create company unions.

Kerry has come out as a strong proponent of education, and has supported a number of initiatives which are supportive of families with children in college. He is a principal sponsor of legislation which would give to such families a \$10,000 college tuition tax deduction as well as a tax deduction for interest on student loans. He has proposed a balanced budget that does not include cuts to student loans.

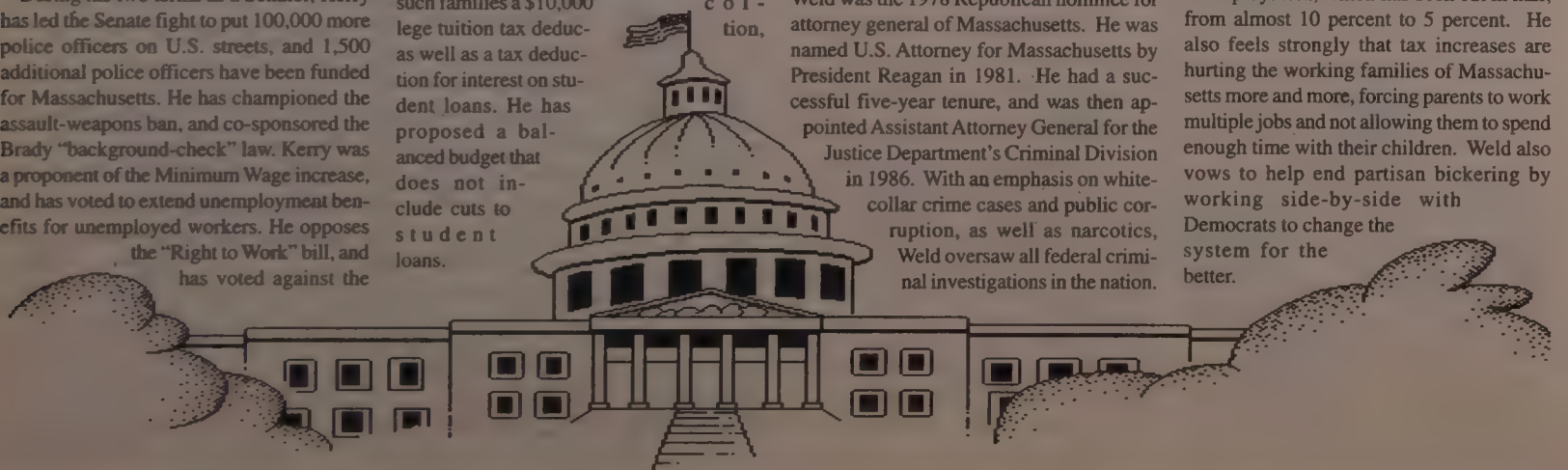


Massachusetts Governor William Weld is the Republican nominee for the U.S. Senate seat currently held by Senator John Kerry. A graduate of Harvard College and Oxford University, he graduated from Harvard Law school in 1970. After serving as a law clerk with the state's Supreme Judicial Court for one year, Weld worked for 10 years at the Boston law firm of Hill & Barlow. In 1974, he served as associate minority counsel to the U.S. House Judiciary Committee during its Watergate impeachment inquiry. Weld was the 1978 Republican nominee for attorney general of Massachusetts. He was named U.S. Attorney for Massachusetts by President Reagan in 1981. He had a successful five-year tenure, and was then appointed Assistant Attorney General for the Justice Department's Criminal Division in 1986. With an emphasis on white-collar crime cases and public corruption, as well as narcotics, Weld oversaw all federal criminal investigations in the nation.

Resigning that post in 1988, he became a senior partner with the law firm of Hale & Dorr until his election as Governor of Massachusetts in 1990.

As Governor, Weld has been a strong proponent of toughened state criminal statutes, and has balanced seven budgets in a row without raising taxes or borrowing. Weld has cut personal and business taxes fifteen times, proposed and signed a tough welfare reform law with a 60-day work requirement, and has abolished early release on parole and increased mandatory sentences. He is serving his second term as governor, to which he was elected with 71 percent of the vote.

The Governor also touts his record on unemployment, which has been cut in half, from almost 10 percent to 5 percent. He also feels strongly that tax increases are hurting the working families of Massachusetts more and more, forcing parents to work multiple jobs and not allowing them to spend enough time with their children. Weld also vows to help end partisan bickering by working side-by-side with Democrats to change the system for the better.



Opinion/Editorial

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

Last night, I had a terrible dream. My future was hanging in the balance as I watched crazy events roll by like a horror movie. Some congressperson was giving a speech about how we should give endangered species "designated area and blow it up." I watched the House of Representatives pass a measure exempting oil refineries from air toxins standards-oil refineries, of all things! In my vision, 25% of all Americans lived within four miles of toxic Superfund sites and over 100 people died of water contamination in Milwaukee and Las Vegas. An article in the New York Times Magazine in July 7, 1996 said "in the past three years, companies and political action committees intent on rolling back environmental laws gave more in Congressional campaign donations than any other cluster of interest groups-\$34 million." Finally, my own Representative Manzullo was given a score of 13 out of 100 from the League of Conservation Voters. The worst of it was I couldn't do anything about any of these situations!! Thank heavens I was only dreaming...because, in fact, I can do something about it.

Over the past two years, the 104th Congress has done more to harm important safeguards than any Congress in history, I'm talking about basic American rights: clean water fresh air, open places to run and fish and boat and play. Here in Massachusetts, our own third Congressional District Representative Peter Blute was given an embarrassingly low score of 42 out of 100 by the League of Conservation Voters because of his horrendous record concerning environmental issues. In 1996, Blute voted against environmental protection and conservation on 7 different bills. He scored lower than any other Massachusetts representative or senator, clearly not reflecting the values held dear by Massachusetts citizens. I am 20 years old. I know I don't want a future dictated by the 104th Congress. And November 5th is my day...our day...to turn the tide.

I know it may seem hard to make a difference, especially at a national level. But

Today America's youth are more active than ever before. Thousands of students across the nation work to protect our threatened environment, provided community services, secure affordable education, fight for the hungry and homeless, advance the rights of humans, promote diversity, and encourage student activism.

While youth remain largely ignored in the American political system. Decisions of our elected officials, increasingly determined by campaign donation of special interests, have little to do with the real concerns of American youth. Consequently, America's youth vote in small numbers because they feel that elected don't represent them. There remains formidable obstacles to voting, such as the need to re-register each time a student moves and the lack of an institutionalized registration process. Additionally, the media, business, and society label young people as apathetic and lazy.

With these things in mind, we, the

each representative makes SUCH an impact on the way things are in this country. Some of the more important pieces of legislation which were passed or turned down in the past two years did so by one or two votes. The dreaded Salvage Logging bill, which allows logging on our public lands? It only needed two more votes to be shut down. Two more people in Congress who supported the protection of our resources...of our future.

So I am inviting all of you to join me on November 5th in "standing up for what we stand on," as Ed Abbey would say. Let's take

undersigned, are encouraging students to vote this November 5. We want to make students a powerful voting force, to encourage candidates to talk about the real issues that affect our future. Legislators, lawmakers, and politicians think that students don't vote. This year SCARE THEM and vote.

Signed,

WSC Student Senate
Ginger Sullivan, President WSC SGA
Chris Quercia, WSC Student Trustee MASSPIRG
Paul Joseph, Dean of Student Development
Father Tim Brewer, Campus Ministry
Edna Spencer, Director Diversity Office
Lesbian, Bisexual, Gay Alliance
Newman Association

pride in this nation, this state, and this town. Please make an effort to educate yourself on these issues and cast your vote. We need people in office whom we trust to do the right thing.

Sincerely,

Kimberly Mowery
National Director of the Sierra Student Coalition
Sierra Club
age 20

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for the man we hate the least?*
-Mark Evanier

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CLINTON, DOLE VIE FOR PRESIDENCY

And at the forefront of the November 5th election is the race for the presidency, with President Bill Clinton seeking re-election, and Republican nominee and former Senate majority leader Robert Dole seeking to unseat him. The two candidates offer to the voters vastly different visions of America: while Clinton has been strong on domestic issues and is concerned with education, healthcare, and the environment, Senator Dole believes that we also need to take tougher stands on crime, welfare, and foreign policy. Thus far, both campaigns have been plagued by accusations of unethical behavior and negative attacks on one another. The Clinton campaign has maintained that Senator Dole and his running mate, Jack Kemp, are out of touch with the needs of America, while the G.O.P. has accused Clinton of being outright unethical in his



business dealings, as well as not having taken much of a stand on foreign policy issues or aggressively attempting to balance the budget.

Throughout his term in office, Clinton has seen some of the highest and lowest popularity ratings of nearly any U.S. President in office, which is said to be due to the fact that he has, more often than not, refused to take a concrete stand on any issues that might endanger his poll ratings. On the other hand, he has made solid progress on the domestic front, with higher education incentive programs and healthcare initiatives boosting his popularity.

Senator Dole has widely been seen as the underdog in this race, often portrayed by the media as being too old to be in touch with the American people. However, the flip side to such thinking is that supporters of Dole, as well as swing voters, value Dole's experience and years of successful service to this



country. Another important factor is Dole's ability to work exceptionally well with the House and Senate, despite years of a Democratic majority, and the fact that Dole often seems to have a much greater understanding of the workings of legislation and policy, both domestic and foreign, than does Clinton.

While both men share a love for our nation, their visions of what its future ought to hold are indeed different. It is for this reason that each of us must educate ourselves on the issues, and cast our vote for that person who we feel is most capable of assuring that our collective future will be a safe and prosperous one. Please take hold of our nation's future and cast your vote tomorrow.

THE BALLOT QUESTIONS: THE SCOOP ON ONE AND TWO

In addition to voting for elected officials on Tuesday, we will also be voting on two ballot questions, both of which concern issues that directly affect both of us. Question one allows us to choose whether or not we want to ban the trapping of fur-bearing animals; a "yes" vote will "prohibit the use of certain traps for fur-bearing mammals, prohibit certain methods of hunting bear or bobcat, and eliminate some restrictions on who may serve on the Fisheries and Wildlife Board.

"A 'no' vote would make no change in the trapping or hunting laws, and would retain restrictions on who may serve on the Fisheries and Wildlife Board." ("Information for Voters")

The arguments for question one include the claim that trapping is inhumane, and that existing quotas guaranteeing hunters 5 of 7 seats on the Fisheries and Wildlife Board are unfair and akin to "deck stacking." The Massachusetts Audubon Society, the MSPCA, and the Humane Society of the United States are encouraging voters to vote "yes" on question one.

Those in opposition of question one say that the law would make us the only state to ban measures that health experts, wildlife biologists, and environmentalists believe are essential to control wild animals like bears, bobcat, coyote, raccoons, and beaver. Should the question pass, these animals will reproduce unchecked, increasing the threat of serious disease to people and pets, polluting water supplies, and damaging homes, crops and livestock. Question One also removes all membership requirements for the State Fisheries and Wildlife Board, credited with many state conservation programs. Removing such requirements would open the board to political appointees who know nothing about responsible wildlife management or public safety.

Question Two deals with the fluoridation of Worcester's water supply, which was voted on and passed by the Worcester City Council this past year. A "yes" vote will allow the city's water supply to be fluoridated; a "no" vote would leave the city's water supply as

Worcester State College Election 1996...

To All WSC Students:

We know Worcester State College students aren't shy! You share your opinions and offer insightful suggestions on a variety of issues. Now, your college needs your input.

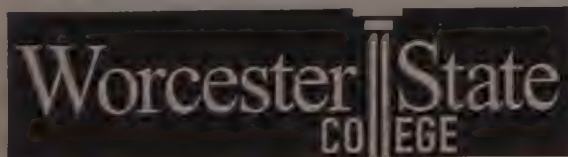
During the 1995-96 academic year we appointed a Graphic Identity Committee, with representatives from the faculty, staff, students and alumni, and gave them an important assignment — to develop a new college logo. The group worked with Bergeron Creative Group Inc., a marketing and graphic design agency based in Westborough, Mass., on this exciting project. Together, they channeled their creative energy and knowledge of the college's long history and future plans and came up with two distinctive logos.

Now, here's the challenge. Although we are equally pleased with both designs, we can only adopt one logo. The committee decided to hold a democratic election and put the final decision out for a vote.

Please cut out this ballot and drop off your vote at the Information Desk located in the Student Center or in the Office of Development & External Relations (Administration building, room 210) by *Election Day, November 5, 1996*. The winning logo will be announced by the end of November. Be a part of the future legacy of Worcester State College. **Cast your vote today!**

Thank you,

Joseph Webber
Chair, Graphic Identity Committee



(A)



(B)

Yes, count my vote! Please Check One Logo Design: Logo A ☐ Logo B ☐

Submitted by (please print):

Name

Major

Class Year

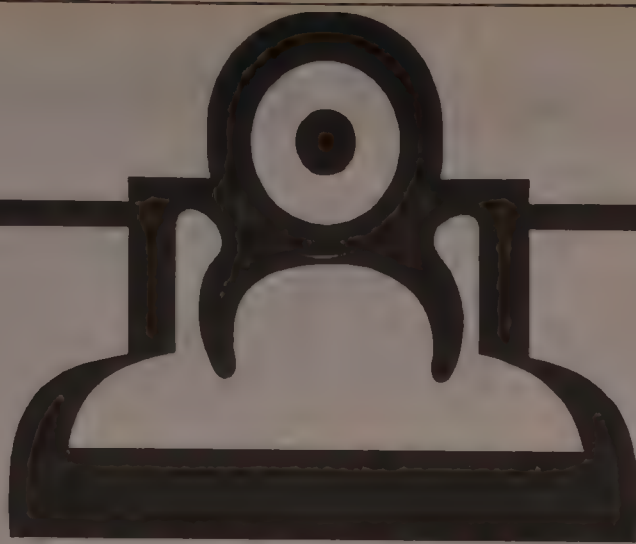
Dole Wins!! (Not!)



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CALENDAR

Thursday, Nov. 7

- SEC hosts Virtual Reality 10am-3pm
- Spaghetti Dinner at 5:30 at Campus Ministry House

Friday, Nov. 8

- Don't forget to get your registration stuff!

Saturday, Nov. 9

- Lancers football Game vs. Nichols at 12:00 on the football field
- Cross Country at ECAC Championships

Sunday, Nov. 10

- Sophomore Class hosts trip to AIDS Danceathon in Boston

Monday, Nov. 11

- Veterans Day (No Classes)
- Remembrance Day (Canada)
- Armistice 1918 (France)

Tuesday, Nov. 12

- Senior Photos begin
- Jennithan Cortes speaks at 6:30pm in Sullivan Building room 222
- Don't forget to get your registration

Wednesday, Nov. 13

- Last Day to Pass/Fail
- Campus Ministry House Pasta supper at 6pm
- Registration for your major/minor begins, and ends on the 19th

Thursday, Nov. 14

- Registration for spring semester begins today
- Spaghetti Dinner at 5:30 at Campus Ministry house.

Saturday, Nov. 16

- Open Campus
- Family/Parents Day
- Lancers football Game vs. Mass Maritime Academy at 12:00 on the football field
- Cross Country at New England Championships

Monday, Nov. 18

- WSCW record sale

Tuesday, Nov. 19

- Jack Hamilton speaks at 6:30 in Sullivan Building room 222

Wednesday, Nov. 20

- Day of Prayer and Repentance (Germany)
- Campus Ministry House Pasta dinner at 6pm
- General Registration begins today by appointment

Thursday, Nov. 21

- Senior Capping
- Spaghetti Dinner at 5:30 at Campus Ministry house.

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EDITORIAL PAGE

The Soapbox

Question: What three words in the English language are the hardest to say when you say them together?

Answer: I, Love, and You, in that order.

The knee-jerk response would indicate that these are very easy words to say, and they should be. Each word is only one syllable, and none of them are longer than four letters.

The reason that these words are difficult to say is because, in today's society, we are conditioned as we grow up to guard our emotions so that we won't be disappointed. Who wants to tell someone that they love them, only to get a tepid response?

We rationalize why we don't say the words, but if not done, it always becomes too late.

Fact: we don't want to, but 65-90% of our friendships will grow apart. Case in point: I am the only member of the Voice who was also here when I joined (the others have either graduated or quit). Also, I haven't talked with anyone that I hung (yes I know the correct word is hanged, but that word is too depressing) around with in my freshmen year in quite a while.

Getting back to the topic, getting to the point that you can tell someone these fateful words is almost as difficult. Fear of rejection leads us to shun the dating scene due to lack of confidence in our ability to attract the object of our affection.

To borrow an apt analogy that someone said to me recently (and I hope I get this quote right): "what's the first thing that the starship Enterprise does when it meets someone new? They raise their shields." Through the fear of being hurt, we keep our "shields" up, but this will hurt us more in the long run.

As long as the "shields" remain up, the fear of being hurt or rejected will grow. As the fear of being hurt or rejected grows, we find ourselves less and less often making the leap of faith necessary to start a relationship. If we can't make that leap, the "shields" will remain up, and become even stronger. And the vicious circle continues to grow out of control.

A page from my own life would reveal that I, also am not immune to raised "shields." I have found of late that I am attracted to this particular girl (and before you ultra-feminist types get on my case, this is a term that I have used all my life, and in reference to almost all members of the female gender). I have also found myself unable to speak my mind on this matter because I also consider her a friend. I am hesitant to say anything because if the feeling is not reciprocated, we will both feel uncomfortable around each other in the future.

Even if we can get past raised "shields," how do we know whether or not we are in love? To that end I have developed the following simple test (not to be used as an end-all be-all relationship test).

#1. When you first saw the object of your affection, your reaction was:

- a) homina, homina, homina...
- b) Yowza!

#2. When you first talked to the object of your affection, the words that came out of your mouth sounded something along the lines of:

- a) "Hey baby, what's happening? Let's groove.
- b) da ba da ya da ta ba da.....

#3. From first meeting until first coherent word, the time elapsed was:

- a) between 3-4 seconds
- b) between 3-4 days

#4. Choose one to complete this sentence. When I think about marrying the object of my affection, I:

- a) break out in a cold sweat.
- b) am intrigued by the idea.

#5. When I think about having children, I want the other parent to be:

- a) the starlet/hunk of the week.
- b) my girl/boyfriend.

#6. (for guys) I buy flowers for my girlfriend because:

- a) I screwed up.
- b) I know she'd like them.

#6. (for girls) I buy cologne for my boyfriend because:

- a) he stinks.
- b) I want him to smell even better.

#7. When I think about having children with my boy/girlfriend/spouse, I:

- a) rationalize reasons not to.
- b) I get all warm and fuzzy inside.

#8. When the question of spending the rest of my life with the object of my affection, I say "da ba sit dak ip dut..." because:

- a) I don't want to get married for a long, long time.
- b) I'm shocked that the prospect sounds so good.

#9 The most important factor in deciding my feelings towards members of the opposite sex (same sex if you are gay or lesbian) is:

- a) beauty of physique.
- b) beauty of personality

#10. Which song do you find yourself singing most frequently?

- a) I Want Your Sex, by George Michaels
- b) I Can Love You Like That, by All-4-One

"a" answers are worth 1 pt. "b" answers are worth 2 pts.

If you got 10-11 pts.-You're only in

it for sex. Grow up.

12-14 pts.-You are probably not going to stay with your current squeeze permanently, unless something drastic happens to make you see things differently.

15-18 pts.-You may say that you are in love, but you're not truly sure. Take some time, and sort through your feelings. But you need to decide, because you can't sit there and do nothing forever.

19-20 pts.-You're in love!! Tell him/her!!! Tell everyone else!!! And, if she/he doesn't feel the same way, well at least you found out now rather than later.

Again, I must point out that this quiz is not scientific and should only be used as the basis for your own search for that most necessary of human frailties, love.

David Spencer
Editor-in-Chief



Letter to the Editor

I want to publicly thank SGA President Ginger Sullivan, Student Trustee Chris Quercia, Student Senate Chair Ken Bouchard, the Senior Class of 1997 (not 1977, OOPS) officers, the Student Senators, other student leaders, and Al Jackson and his Student Center Operations staff for their herculean effort in hosting/staging the October 31 Campus Town Meeting in the Blue Lounge.

The results were outstanding. The publicity was everywhere. The crowd was at capacity. The Senators and U.S. Secretary of Education Riley termed the event "phenomenal." And all of the ground work was

done in only 48 hours!

Perhaps the most successful aspect of the program was Ginger's opening remarks. Her presentation was astute and articulate. Her remarks appropriate. Both the student body and the college were well served by her presentation.

While it was unfortunate that we could not control the length of the program, that cannot detract from the simple fact that once again the student leaders of WSC have given us all reasons to be proud.

Paul Joseph
Dean, Student Development

I'd like to thank Dean Joseph for his remarks on the student leaders who have given their all in such a short time to produce such a dramatic result. Few of us realize, until we get into that position, how difficult it is to be a student leader. Student leaders tend to make huge sacrifices of their time and energy for their organization. Because we don't see what it is that they do, we assume that their job is extremely easy. This fallacy is what occasionally makes bad student leaders. Point? Yes, there is one, and it is this: We should be proud of our student leaders all of the time, not just when they do something spectacular.

David Spencer
Editor-in-Chief

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Do you have a letter to the Editor, but don't know where to submit it?

Do you want to submit articles to the Student Voice? Do you just want to give us a suggestion?

Well, now you can just drop it off in the big, black "Voice Box" at the Info desk of the Student Center.

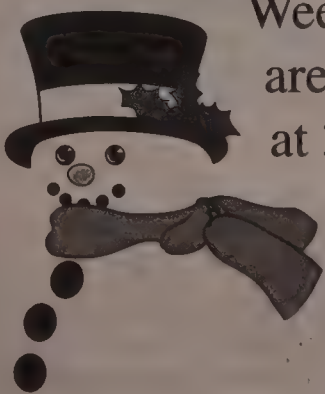
The Adventures of Jack Dogg

by Claudio Salazar



ATTENTION:

All Worcester State students. The time has come for the Student Events Committee to plan it's annual Winter Week, February 22-28, 1997. Any interested students should attend the Winter Week meetings which are held Wednesdays at 3:30 in the Student Event Committee office located on the third floor of the Student Center in room 313.



THIS COULD BE YOUR AD:

To get information call Roula at 508-754-2313 (fax 508-756-8210) Monday-Wednesday-Friday at 11:30- 1:30, Tuesday-Thursday at 1:00-2:00 or simply leave your name, number, and your fax or address and we will send you an advertising package.

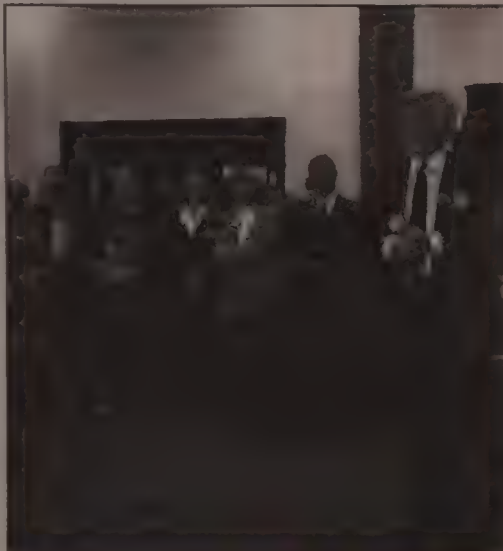
CAMPUS NEWS

Senators Kerry and Kennedy Visit WSC Campus

This article is reprinted from the 11/4 issue of The Student Voice

En route to Election Day, Senators Ted Kennedy and John Kerry, along with U.S. Secretary of Education Richard Riley, paid a visit to Worcester State College Thursday to discuss education and the campaign, as well as to answer some questions from members of the audience. Arriving nearly a half hour late for their 2:30 speaking engagement, the senators and secretary were greeted outside the student center by a crowd of well-wishers, along with a few supporters of Governor William Weld, who is challenging Senator Kerry for his seat. After being ushered into the Blue Lounge, our distinguished guests received a warm and eloquent welcome from SGA President Ginger Sullivan, who spoke on behalf of the Student Government Association to those in attendance about the many positive advances being made at the college. Sullivan challenged the Senators and Secretary to continue their fight for support of public higher education. Dr. Kalyan Ghosh, President of the College, thanked the Student Government Association for sponsoring the event, and also briefly greeted the speakers and thanked them for coming to WSC.

Senator Kerry, in his remarks, discussed higher education and how vital support for education is to our nation. He touted his record as an education-oriented official, and discussed with the audience his reasons for seeking re-election to the U.S. Senate. Also on the agenda for Kerry was his opponent's record and the G.O.P.'s "assault" on families, criminals, children, and Kerry's record. In introducing his fellow speakers, Senator Kennedy and Secretary Riley, Kerry said he couldn't have been "flanked...by two better people." Secretary Riley then proceeded to discuss the successes of the Clinton administration in the field of education; however, the Secretary took leave of WSC shortly thereafter to catch a plane. While Senator Kennedy remained relatively dormant, Senator Kerry took a few questions from the audience, answering each with much emphasis on his accomplishments as a Senator, and the dangers of electing Kerry's opponent and others of his ilk to office on November 5th.



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WSC Offers Tax-Aide Program for Student Interns and Volunteers

The Business Administration/Economics Department in conjunction with the Mathematics/Computer Science Department are seeking interns and volunteers as Tax-Aide counselors for the 1997 Spring Semester.

The American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) and the IRS along with both WSC departments have worked together in providing free tax services for low to moderate income people, especially senior citizens at no cost.

This opportunity can be done on a volunteer basis or as an internship for college credit. All individuals will attend an instruction course, followed by an open-book examination. Those who pass the exam will be certified for filing these taxes. All study materials are provided at no cost, and out-of-pocket expenses for travel and supplies will be reimbursed at a flat rate of \$35.00.

Over the years, this tax-aide program has helped countless people file their taxes for free. This program is appreciated and relied upon by members of our community every year, but it cannot continue without your volunteer support. Interested parties may contact Ken Schoen (Math dept.) at 793-8197, or Don Joyal (Business dept.) at 793-8094 as soon as possible.

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School Closing Policy

In the event of inclement weather, the following are the radio/TV stations to listen to for news to whether the school will be closed or have opening delayed.

AM Stations

WTAG 580 AM
WBZ 1030 AM
WKOX 1200 AM
WORC 1310 AM
WEEI 1440 AM

FM Stations

WSRS 96.1 FM
WXLO 104.5 FM

TV Station

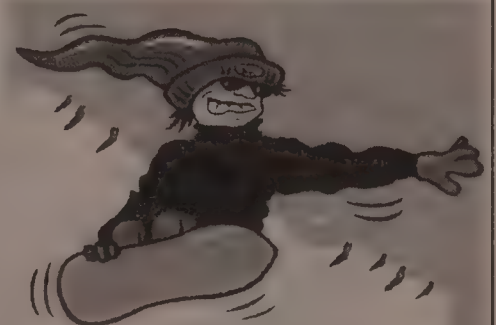
WBZ Channel 4

The Ski + Snowboard Club is sponsoring a day trip to Killington, VT on February 2, 1997. The Trip is only \$32. Killington features over 170 trails, and 23 lifts. You can sign up at the info desk. Reserve your spot now!

C'MAN, SNOW! SNOW
SNOW SNOW SNOW SNOW
SNOW SNOW SNOW!



Killington
VERMONT



The next Ski + Snowboard Club Meeting is Nov. 13, at 3pm in the Student Center in Room C206

CAMPUS NEWS

ATTENTION ALL STUDENTS

**Pregnant?
Low on
Cash?
Need
help?**

Compiled by Robert Young
Newman Association

Catholic Charities
15 Ripley St.
Worcester, Ma 01610

Social Services Concerns: Contact Sara
Glenn @ 798-0191

Emergency Services: Housing and Food @
Youville House 133 Granite St, Worcester,
Ma 01604
Phone: 753-3084

Birthright of Hudson/Marlborough Inc.
233 E. Main St. Room 101
Marlborough, Ma 01752
(508) 481-2055

Services: Pregnancy tests, baby and mater-
nity clothing, referrals, information, shelters,
homes, adoption referrals.
Fees: None

-Problem Pregnancy of Worcester Inc.
332 Main St.
Room 509
Worcester, Ma 01608
(508) 755-4130

Services: Pregnancy testing, counseling and
friendship, education on pregnancy, abor-
tion and alternatives to abortion, temporary
housing, maternity and infant clothing, baby
furnishings, referrals for adoption or foster
care, referrals for medical care, legal assis-
tance or other needed community services.
Fees: None

-Project: Rachel-Diocese of Worcester
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A post abortion reconciliation referral pro-
gram run through the Diocese of Worces-
ter. Referrals to one of fifty priests through-
out the diocese who have been trained to
minister there sacrament of reconciliation
or to trained or to trained councilors from
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Fees: None

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**Election
Results**

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Clinton-49%
Dole-41%
Perot-8%

Senate

Kerry-52%
Weld-47%

3rd Congressional District

McGovern-57%
Blute-42%

*The 1997 Accolade Yearbook
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and we need
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*We are looking for people help us with the 1997
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meeting on Wednesday at 3pm in the
yearbook office (third floor of the student center).*

Enthusiam a must! Experience not necessary!

*If you are interested but cannot attend the meeting please
leave a message in our mailbox with your phone number on the
second floor (formerly the mezzanine) or the student center*



everything under the sun

*If You Knew Someone Who Couldn't
talk, dance, or have fun unless
they ate a few green beans,*



would that concern you?

Arts & Entertainment

Horoscopes

by Michael Cocozzella
Voice Astrologer

Greetings, Worcester State star followers. I am here because you need me! The future scares you and you need some guidance. You need someone to light a path to the Promised Land, a magical place in your mind where you will feel happy, complete, and most of all, confident that you will be able to put together the pieces to life's puzzle. I am that someone!!

There are too many times in life when we put the weight of the world on our shoulders by worrying incessantly about what our fortunes will bring us the next day, the next month, and so on. Sometimes we even worry about what will happen to us in the next minute. I am here to relieve you, the loyal VOICE reader, of the burden of worry!!! My horoscopes will help you seize the future by the horns!!! They will provide you with a simple, guided framework to live your life by that will ensure you a successful trip to the promised land (no crash landings in any alligator infested Florida swamps!). No longer will you ever fear what life has in store for you, because you will be to busy planning what you have in store for life!!!

If you have any questions, don't even bother trying to contact me. I already know who you are and what your question is. I'll get around to answering you when I feel like it.

Aries (March 21 to April 19) You will be shocked to discover who the real father of Madonna's baby is—Melissa Etheridge!!

Taurus (April 20 to May 20) Do not study today what you can put off until the day before the test.

Gemini (May 21 to June 20) Good luck finding a parking spot, you chump!!

Cancer (June 21 to July 22) You go to math class once a month, yet somehow the teacher will flunk you.

Leo (July 23 to August 22) If you are in desperate need of money, avoid taking employment at any Indonesian sweat shops owned by Kathie Lee Gifford.

Virgo (August 23 to September 22) You do not have to pick a fine Worcester restaurant to get food that is better than DAKA food. You just have to pick your nose.

Libra (September 23 to October 22) To beat boredom while you are in the library, dress up like Cookie Monster and keep asking the librarian where the cookies are!!

Scorpio (October 23 to November 21) Bill Clinton will legislate a huge tax increase to build the Bridge to the 21st Century.

Sagittarius (November 22 to December 21) Last Thursday, while he used his right hand to shake hands with you, John Kerry had his left hand in your pocket.

Capricorn (December 22 to January 19) You will find love today, but only after you spend six hours finding a parking space.

Aquarius (January 20 to February 18) You will live to be 152 years old before you find either Charles Grodin or Geraldo Rivera talking about somebody other than O.J. Simpson.

Pisces (February 19 to March 20) Think of happy things as your bones heal after Cecil Fielder crushed you in the World Series celebration pile-up. (This horoscope applies to any World Champion New York Yankees player unfortunate enough to be in the pile-up when Cecil Fielder decided to join in. May God be with you- Mike)

Shared Vision 2; The Songs of The Rolling Stones

by Charles Longeway Jr.
Voice Staff

A classic collection of timeless tunes. Stones fans, this is a definite must have. Heck its a great buy if you just like music. Various artists offer musical styles from the cutting edge to their parental root.

Each track melts superior songwriting with original interpretations. Johnny Cash gives new life to "New Expectations." This song fit his style so well it sounds like he wrote it first. While listening, you feel like you're on a train travelling away from your past.

Five live recordings weave their way through a raucous running order. Marianne Faithfull lives "Sister Morphine" and gives a soul reaching vocal performance.

We get more than we need from "You Can't Always Get What You Want" by The Neville Brothers. The drum playing on this

one is testament that musicianship still exists.

Mick Jagger has never been satisfied and neither is Tom Jones. "Satisfaction" is upbeat, dancable, and sure to put funk in anyones trunk.

Headbangers hold your hats, Cinderella and L.A. Guns dust off the cobwebbs and come out of oblivion making credible contributions as well.

The Pogues open the show covering "Honky Tonk Women", and Joe Cocker closes the show with his version of it. Both represent the true diversity in this compilation. I really enjoyed this one!

These are only the best highlights, and the rest are worth listening to also. Music is made to be heard, so take a chance, get this one, and celebrate some of the greatest songs ever to come our way.

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Dining Out With Trish and Roula



We wanted to try something different this week, so Roula suggested the Beirut Restaurant at 102 Belmont Street.

It was like walking into a Lebanese home right in Beirut. That's what I felt like as I entered Beirut Restaurant. The aroma was delicious. Even the tablecloths reminded me of Lebanon. The setting was perfect. Arabic music played in the background and scenic portraits of Lebanon hung on the walls. I felt right at home except of course I was not serving myself. Which is always nice.

We each ordered a cup of coffee. Trish had American coffee and I had Turkish coffee. This is stronger and is served in a small cup. It has cardamom (Hale in Arabic) in it which I love.

After a few minutes of discussing the ambiance of the restaurant, we noticed that three people walked in and were unable to be seated because we took the last table of four and there was only a deuce left. Ever polite Roula offers to switch tables with them. Go figure!

Trish was overwhelmed and left me with the choice of lunch. We had no trouble with the appetizer. We agreed on Baba Ghanouj, \$3.25, which is an eggplant and Tahini blend. This came with the Lebanese bread (pita) and we devoured it. It was just like homemade. I can't make it any better and I'm Arabic.

Roula is not exaggerating. We killed the Baba Ghanouj in 3 minutes flat taking the 5 year consecutive record of Michael McGourty.

They offer specialty plates with sides of salad, a variety of salads, sandwiches, and entrees. Plates include grape leaves, hummus, kabob, fafta, and falafal. You can even grab a healthy hamburger and fries. We decided to share two specialty plates: The

kibbee for \$7.00 (ground beef with wheat stuffed and baked with beef, pine nuts, and chopped onions) served with your choice of rice or yogurt, and shawarma for \$7.00 (extra lean beef and lamb thinly sliced, marinated with special spices and baked on a low fire). This is served with parsley, tomatoes, radish and tahini sauce. These plates came with a side of salad. We chose tabbouli and fattoush (salad with toasted Lebanese bread and Lebanese dressing.) The kibbee was fabulous. It was just like my mother's kibbee (sorry Mom.) The shawarma was excellent. The spices which overpower the plate might be a little too exotic for someone who has never had it before.

The tabbouli was fresh and the fattoush was just right. So, that's what Tabbouli is supposed to taste like. DAKA has a lot to learn. Definitely!!! I can't express my enjoyment of these plates. Absolutely Delicious!! It was just like home cooking but then that's what I would expect from a family run restaurant.

This was an experience. If you don't know anything about Lebanese food, I suggest that you bring a friend along. If you want to step out of the States for a while, check out the Beirut Restaurant.

The bill came to \$19.95. We overindulged, but hey you can get a sandwich for \$3.00-\$3.75. We opted for the specialty plates. Next time you're up for hummus or grape leaves you know where to go.

Ratings

* Yuck!
** Okay!
*** Thumbs up!
**** Awesome!



The Comic Strip

By Dave Spencer

He Was Not In the Least Bit Scared to Get Mashed Into a Pulp, Or to Have His Eyes Gouged Out, and His Elbows Broken, to Have His Kneecaps Ripped, and His Body Burned Away, and His Limbs All Hacked and Mangled

Image Comics

Labman #1, and probably a bunch of other stuff too!

Paradox Press

This is a list of books scheduled to be in stores this week from Paradox Press.
100% True #2.

Milestone Media

This is a list of books scheduled to be in stores this week from Milestone Media.
Icon #41.

DC's relaunch of the Justice League begins this week.

DC's Thrillkiller, an Elseworlds tale featuring Batgirl and Robin is set to come out in a few weeks.

Cabbot Stone returns from the dead in Bloodhunter #1, from Extreme Studios.

OUT THIS WEEK:

Dark Horse Comics

This is a list of books scheduled to be in stores this week from Dark Horse Comics.

Barry Windsor-Smith: STORY-TELLER #2, Edgar Rice Burroughs' Tarzan #5, The Guide to Dark Horse Comics, Harlan Ellison's Dream Corridor Quarterly #2, The Legend of Mother Sarah: City of Angels #2, Predator: Strange Roux, The Real Adventures of Jonny Quest #3, and The Warrior of Waverly Street #1.

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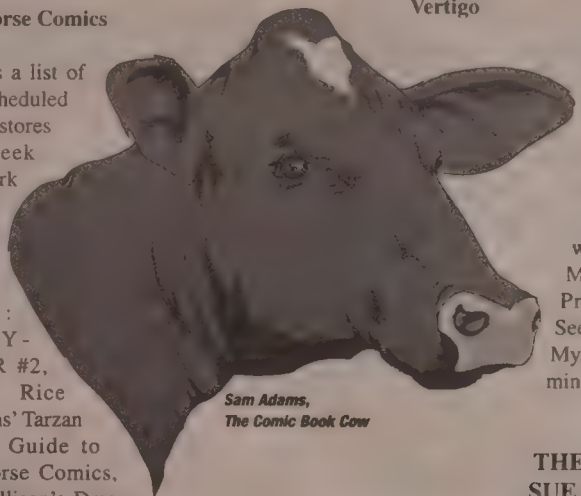
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Helix Comics

This is a list of books scheduled to be in stores this week from Helix Comics.
Cyberella #5.

Vertigo

This is a list of books scheduled to be in stores this week from Vertigo.
Farewell Moonshadow, Preacher #21, Seekers into the Mystery #12, Terminal City #7.



Sam Adams, The Comic Book Cow

THE BACK ISSUE BIN

Eternal Warrior #8/Archer & Armstrong #8

Publisher: Valiant
Wizard Guide Value: \$2.00

With the relaunch of Valiant's titles now underway, I've decided to spotlight some of the better issues from the original run. This week's book, Eternal Warrior #8/Archer & Armstrong #8, was originally presented in a "flip-book" style. The story itself happens in 17th century France, where Valiant's three immortal brothers, Gilad (the Eternal Warrior), Aram (the Armstrong part of A&A), and Ivar (the previously mentioned but never actually seen until now brother, Timewalker). The three brothers appear as the Three Musketeers, with Archer rounding out the group as D'Artagnan. The story proceeds as it should, blah, blah, blah...For a good book, I highly recommend Eternal Warrior #8/Archer & Armstrong #8.

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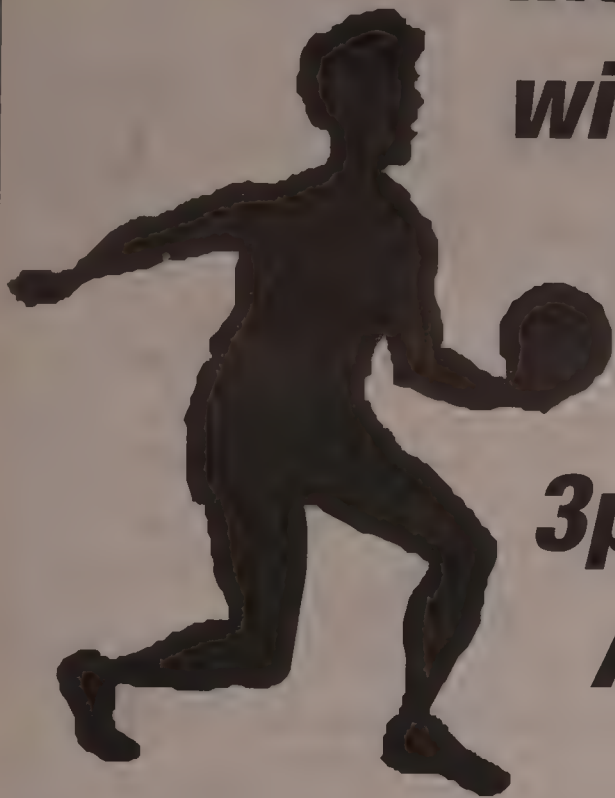
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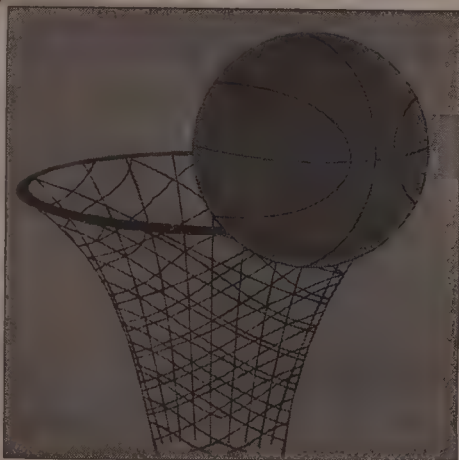
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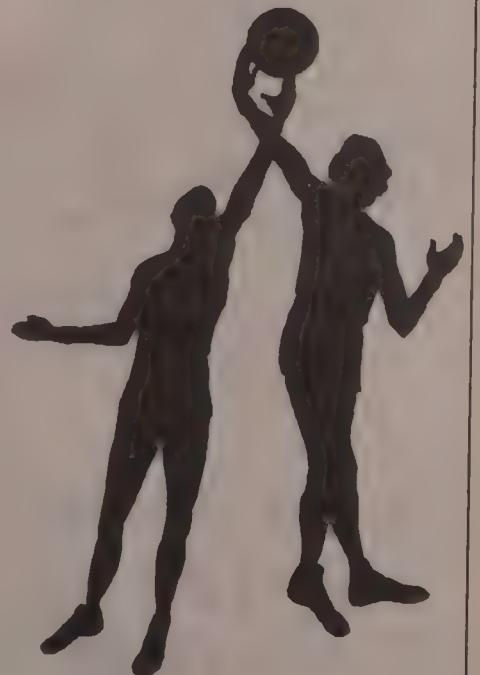
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Poetry Page

The Fleecing Of Captain Horalis

There is trouble on the torrid Ixebarian Sea
 The mighty warship was tossed rigorously about
 Giant waves crash against the damaged hull
 Young Captain Horalis clutches his bloody sword
 as he watches the enemy vessel slowly burn
 A battle has just ended leaving the
 Contreuse barely able to maneuver
 "Hard to port! Hard to...?" he bellows to the
 helmsman, but then pauses
 The ship barely misses the nearby rocks
 Horalis drops his sword and looks to the sky
 "Do you hear that? It is so beautiful!"
 The crew pauses and looks curiously
 "She is here...finally, my true love has arrived!"
 Suddenly, A beautiful young woman could be
 seen on the rocks
 Wearing a transparent shawl she stood alone
 Holding a gilded scepter tightly against her
 cordial and prodigious bosom
 Even at such a far distance her piercing
 blue eyes meet with those of Horalis
 Raising the magical scepter she begins to sing
 "Hard to sternal" orders the enchanted Captain
 The crew hesitates
 "Do it! Do it now! That's an order!"
 The ship heads for the rocks at a steady pace
 "I am coming my love..."
 The Siren continues to serenade Horalis and
 his crew to their deaths
 An arrow finds it's way to Horalis' heart
 It came from the longbow of the First Officer
 "I'm sorry old friend. As for you...you wicked
 creature. You'll not have the Contreuse this day!"
 The crew is silent as the Siren snarls and evaporates
 into the night sky.
 Victory is such a subjective thing
 Christopher M. Smith

FAREWELL

My maiden follow me to the mountain tops
 to the hills and valleys
 Under the myriad stars
 'To the shimmering sands of our rivers
 to the lonely falls and rapids
 To the distant hills, mysterious and softly blue
 In the midst of nature we'll stand and reflect
 In the cool of the night
 in the scorching sun
 In the warm breeze
 'We'll stand'
 and there will I demonstrate
 the fury of my love
 the beauty of my passion
 the anger, the unfairness of our separation

In the shimmering heat of the noonday sun
 we stood and faced each other
 naked with love and passion
 for all to see,
 in the midst of nature
 we become one

With our ancestors watching us
 with the elements applauding
 I looked at her face
 I knew the time had come

To the beat of the African drums
 she danced away into the night
 never to look at me again
 never to come back
 gone like the passing wind

As I wept after her
 I knew I was spent
 finished,
 destroyed
 Never to be whole again

Homeless

**I spend sleepless nights
 in a fetal position
 daring to dream of
 food
 sleep
 love
 sanctuary
 the stench of stale piss
 keeps me awake
 like smelling salt to a boxer
 crickets harmonize
 a song of sorrow
 of hopelessness
 of despair
 I'm a man out of place
 a man who cannot see himself
 written in a mirror
 or in your eyes
 for you cannot see me also
 no living man can deliver his eulogy
 but am I to deliver my own?
 I pray that death covers me
 like a blanket on a cold winter's night
 the sheets my grave
 my backpack my tombstone
 a nomad without destination
 I wander the streets
 alone & silent
 waiting for the night to swallow me whole
 never to be seen again.**

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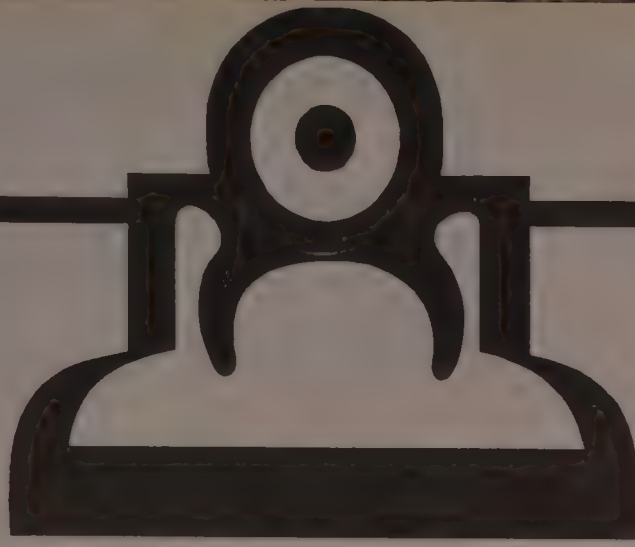
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CALENDAR

Thursday, Nov. 14

- Registration for spring semester begins today
- Spaghetti Dinner at 5:30 at Campus Ministry house.

Saturday, Nov. 16

- Open Campus
- Family/Parents Day
- Lancers football game vs. Mass Maritime Academy at 12:00pm on the football field
- Cross Country at New England Championships

Monday, Nov. 18

- WSCW record sale

Tuesday, Nov. 19

- Jack Hamilton speaks at 6:30pm in Sullivan Building room 222

Wednesday, Nov. 20

- Day of Prayer and Repentance (Germany)
- Campus Ministry House Pasta dinner at 6pm
- General Registration begins today by appointment

Thursday, Nov. 21

- Senior Capping
- Spaghetti Dinner at 5:30pm at Campus Ministry house.
- WSC Theatre Production, Love of the Nightingale

Friday, Nov. 22

- TWA Asian Dance
- WSC Theatre Production, Love of the Nightingale

Saturday, Nov. 23

- Labor Thanksgiving Day (Japan)
- WSC Theatre Production, Love of the Nightingale

Sunday, Nov. 24

- WSC Theatre Production, Love of the Nightingale

Monday, Nov. 25

- WSCW record sale
- Thanksgiving Dinner at Campus Ministry House at 6pm

Tuesday, Nov. 26

- Paul Fioretti speaks at 6:30pm in Sullivan Building room 222

Wednesday, Nov. 27

- Thanksgiving Break Begins (through Sunday)

Thursday, Nov. 28

- Happy Thanksgiving Day!!!

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THE SOAPBOX

Heroes. We all have at least one, but just what is a "hero?" Everyone seems to have an answer, but few answers are the same.

Some would view a hero as someone who has reached the pinnacle of human perfection in some area. Take Michael Jordan, for instance. No one can doubt that in today's NBA, Michael Jordan is one of the best, if not the best, player. He has, in fact, gone beyond the pale of average basketball players.

Many today view him as someone who took his natural talent, and followed it to its extent. But can Michael be classified as a hero? Let's look at other types of "heroes" first.

Some people's "heroes" are people who have reached perfection intellectually. People such as Albert Einstein, Thomas Alva Edison, or Socrates would be revered by some who believed that they were worthy of this attention.

Some would say that anyone who single-mindedly reaches for a goal, that is to strive

for something no matter the cost, could be a "hero." However, the Nazis were extremely single-minded, and few today would openly call Adolf Hitler their "hero."

The American Heritage Dictionary defines "hero" as:

1. In mythology and legend, a man, often of divine ancestry, who is endowed with great courage and strength, celebrated for his bold exploits, and favored by the gods.
2. A person noted for feats of courage or nobility of purpose, especially one who has risked or sacrificed his life.
3. A person noted for special achievement in a particular field.
4. The principal male character in a novel, poem, or dramatic presentation.
5. See Submarine

I think that, for our purposes, we can ignore definitions #1, #4, and #5, though #5 is probably the best explanation we'll get (mmmmm, Hero sandwich). According to the dictionary, a person who has given special achievement is a hero. However, I

would not call Dennis Rodman a "hero," but I would call him an excellent basketball player. For reasons like this, I'll ignore definition #3 as well.

That leaves us with definition #2. This one sounds pretty good. The only way I'd edit this one would be to change the word "or" to "and." After all, many are courageous, but what they strive for is not virtuous (take the Nazis, for example). On the flip side, many have a noble purpose, but never do anything about it.

So, to me anyway, a hero is someone who would "fight the good fight," as they say. He would only have to try to accomplish some noble task, not even succeed. Some people that I consider heroes are Christopher Columbus, who, against conventional wisdom set sail to the west, and did not fall off the end of the earth; Jesus Christ and Ghandi, both of whom led campaigns of civil disobedience against the foreign rulers of their countries in their respective times; Martin Luther King Jr., who called

for a peaceful integration of white and black, which resulted in his assassination; Muhammad, who fled his home in the city of Mecca to escape from the persecution of the Umayyid clan, and founded a new religion; Socrates, who made people question the people in authority, and refused to recant even under threat of death; and from today's headlines, Christopher Reeve, who, after breaking his neck and being confined to a wheelchair as a quadriplegic, now speaks out on behalf of many causes.

Almost everyone has heroes, but are our "heroes" worthy of the name? Should we instead honor those of great courage rather than those of great talent? I, like everyone else, think I have the answer, but it is different from that of other people. This is one thing that I know I can't give an answer to, but I have tried, and perhaps that's the best I can do.

David Spencer
Editor-in-Chief

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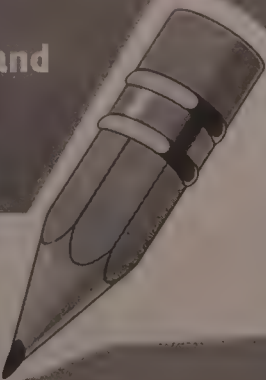
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Op/Ed PAGE

Letters to the Editor

Welfare

by Matt Zell
Voice Staff

All across America the debate rages on. What, if anything should be done about the welfare system? Most college students really don't get into the debate because of two factors; the first factor is that some, and I repeat, SOME!, college students have never worked in the real world, so they don't see how much of their money is lost to welfare, and the second factor is that your average college student does not get to see all of the abuses of the system because they do not work in health care.

That is where I come in. First, let me say that welfare of one sort or another is needed in America today. My argument is not based on removing the welfare system, rather, my argument is based on how we as a nation could, or should, run the system that we have more efficiently. Welfare is defined in the American Heritage Dictionary as: "The provision of economic or social benefits to a certain group of people, especially aid furnished by the government or by private agencies to the needy or disabled."

Why do we as a country have welfare? Did somebody just wake up one day and say, "Hey, I think it would be great if everybody in America gave a part of his or her own hard earned money to support everyone who for one reason or another, be it sociological, psychological, or physical, is unable to work for it? The roots of the Welfare system reach further than that. When our forefathers were composing the Constitution I sincerely doubt that they even considered that the Welfare system would balloon into the farce that it is today... There are people out there who have parents on welfare, grandparents on welfare, and even great-grandparents on welfare. Welfare

To the Editor:

I was upset when I read that MASSPIRG had set up a sleepout for the homeless. How does sleeping in a cardboard box help bring current homeless problems to our fair campus? How can people truly try to understand how the homeless live? You cannot understand this try as you may, unless you were homeless before. I was homeless for six miserable months on the streets of Brooklyn, New York. This attempt to "understand" homeless people is insulting. If you really want to experience how these people feel, why not eat and drink nothing for a whole day, and sleep in a box with only shorts and a shirt on a cold night. Now there's experience for ya'. If these volunteers were serious about the sleepout and understanding "the way of the homeless" then why was the sleepout cancelled? What, you wouldn't have felt comfortable in a wet home? How come rain postponed your will to understand? This is what being homeless is about people. You guys were not prepared because it was inconvenient for you that it rained. How ironic. Why not reschedule the sleepout for a day that is nice and sunny where maybe we can also plug in a television and watch *Melrose Place*. I had

should not be a paycheck.

Welfare should be TEMPORARY... end of story. We live in America, we should be proud that we live in a country that is so affluent that we can afford welfare, for those people who REALLY need it.

The sad reality is that we as a country can't afford it anymore. If we took all of the money from welfare that winds up going to hairstyles, gold chains, drugs, airbrushed fingernails, makeup, stylish jackets and clothes and shoes, alcohol, and sex, we could feed every little child that needed to eat tonight, every sick child laying on the floor of some crack house watching as the money which should go to food goes to daddy's little habit, and every little kid who goes out with a gang because there parents are drunk on the couch watching the television.

I am sure that I will get plenty of hate mail for this article. I don't blame people for being angry. If I were benefiting from lax welfare policies, I would not be so vocal about changing the way the system works. The question I wish to pose to you... the college students is, What can we do about welfare??? Do we have the best possible system for everyone? Why, if we know that our system is not working don't we, as a public change the system to redistribute the money so that everyone gets what they NEED, not what they WANT. I am not saying that I have all of the right answers. Heck, I could be dead wrong. Even though I will go to sleep tonight with food in my stomach and a roof over my head, I have seen life at its worst. I have definitely seen enough hardship to know that the system doesn't help everyone, least of all those who need it. I have seen enough to want to make a change.... have you?

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no choice whether it rained or if it was cold as s**t outside. If you guys really want to help the homeless, why not go into Boston or any other city and feed their people? Help clothe them and pray for them. This is what I would do with Straight Ahead Ministries every Monday night. It's time to stop demonstrating. Get off your a** and do something. The homeless sleep in the rain. Why couldn't you demonstrate then? This would've showed people how true you are and you yourself would know how serious you really are. There was no better time than a rainy time. And what's the business with not spending the whole night if you don't want to? S**t I didn't want to. You can spare the violin playing for another time.

Sincerely yours
Miguel Cruz

As anyone who reads the Voice regularly knows, I almost always take a contrary position to letters written to the Editor.

Firstly, the sleepout was intended to raise money for homeless shelters, which it did. The "understanding" was only a side effect of raising the money, and hopefully publicity. I have to agree with your point about the cancellation. If they wanted to experience homelessness, they should have stayed out. However, their hearts were in the right place, they only weren't prepared for the true rigors of homelessness.

David Spencer
Editor-in-Chief

Letter to the Editor

Well, that was fun. I just toddle over to the Student Center to get something to eat. Mouth watering as I anticipated the culinary delights that DAKA provides, (yeah, right...) I charged up to the cafeteria. It was closed. Closed! With the gates down and everything! The time was 1:35 in the afternoon... Is it me, or do some people eat at that hour? Of course, the downstairs was open, peddling cheese pizzas and Whoppers. I wonder where the profit from that stuff goes? This sucks. This system sucks. We have to go to school all day, and often at night, and then we're expected to sustain ourselves on Burger King crap? DAKA's food never was that good, and now it seems like you can't get in there even if you wanted to. Of course, I shouldn't complain. Some benevolent and forward-thinking soul saw fit to put a French-fry machine in the Sullivan Building! Who says that Worcester State isn't at the forefront when it comes to serving its students? I can see it now—"Not only do I have a degree from WSC, but I also coronary artery disease, because the only thing they sold me to eat on campus for four years was dead cows and fake cheese with sodium added..." I don't know where that big chunk of money labeled "Student Fees" on my bill every semester goes, but I do know this: I bet President Ghosh doesn't eat in the Student Center every day. I'd write more, but I've got to go dump a bunch of BK wrappers on his desk

D. Adam Boaz

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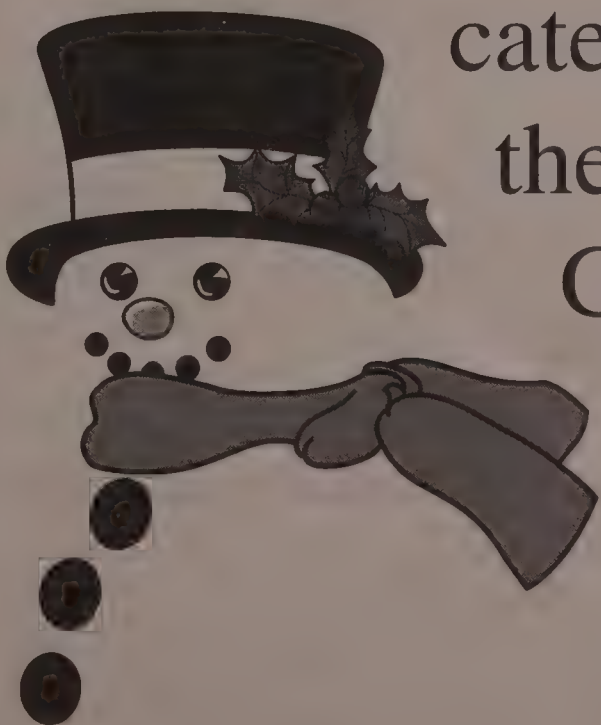
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ATTENTION:

All Worcester State students. The time has come for the Student Events Committee to plan it's annual Winter Week, February 22-28, 1997. Any interested students should attend the Winter Week meetings which are held Wednesdays at 3:30 in the Student Event Committee office located on the third floor of

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Metropolitan Community Church hosts a 36 hour AIDS Prayer Vigil

November, 1996

Dear Friend,

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We ask that you post this event in your

newsletter, bulletins, etc. to invite everyone to participate. God bless you as we all work towards a cure for AIDS and a more loving community of understanding.

In God's love,
Ken Bigelow

ATTENTION ALL STUDENTS

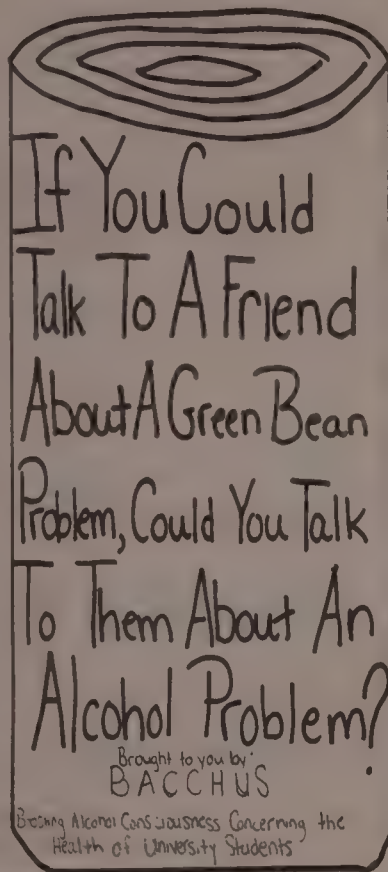
The 1997 Accolade Yearbook is currently underway and we need **YOUR HELP**

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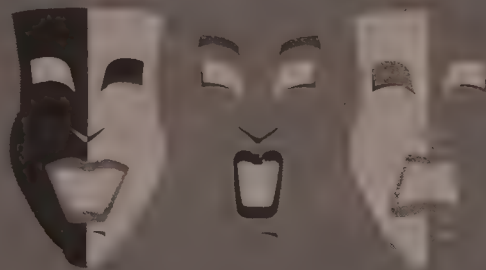
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The play, which premiered in 1988 by the Royal Shakespeare Company is a modern dramatization of the classical tale of Princess Philomele, who having been raped by her brother-in-law, Tereus, is then silenced when she attempts to call out her violator. The brutality of her loss of speech is a mythological prototype of the silencing of victims. Philomele, in her transformed state as the melodious nightingale is a figure used by poets from Ovid to T.S. Eliot.

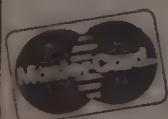
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Arts & Entertainment

Movie Review: "THINNER"

by Matt Zell
Voice Staff

Thinner, the newest movie based on a Stephen King book is a thoroughly delicious film version of his work. The plot centers around gypsies, curses, and most of the cardinal sins. The main character is an obese lawyer. One way or another, (I can't say or it would give the movie away) the man winds up killing the daughter of a very old gypsy. The death was semi-accidental, but because it was in a small town, the man has his horrible deed wiped off his record by the judge, and the chief of police. While leaving the courtroom, gleaming from his victory, the man is approached by the gypsy, the gypsy says..."thinner..." and that is when the fun, and the curse, coincidentally, begin. The movie follows the traditional King format, including the much hollowed cameo appearance, as a pharmacist, by King himself. Moreover, diehard King fans will appreciate the way that Thinner holds true to the novel, at least a lot more so than other movies from books. All in all, Thinner was delectable. With enough plot twist to keep you guessing and enough horror to keep you coming back for seconds.

Vanessa Williams: "Star Bright"

...or is it?

BIOGRAPHY:

What fields could possibly be left for Vanessa Williams to conquer? The international superstar has two #1 singles ("Save the Best for Last," "Love is"), gold, multi-platinum and platinum albums her first three totaling over four million in sales ('87's "The Right Stuff," '91's "The Comfort Zone: and '94's "The Sweetest Days"), and Oscar-winning song ("Colors of the Wind" from Disney's *Pocahontas*) and performed critically praised roles on Broadway ("Kiss of the Spider Woman") and the motion picture (Starring opposite Arnold Schwarzenegger in the hit summer movie *Eraser*, where she also sang the film's theme song, "Where Do We Go From Here") With nine grammy nominations and two NAACP Image Award to her credit, Williams sang the National Anthem at Super Bowl XXX before an estimated 138.1 million people in 170 countries around the world last January and then performed "Colors of the Wind" on the global Oscar Telecast in March.



Unfortunately, Vanessa Williams' new C.D. is not as good as the rest of her track record. "Star Bright" does not capture all the magic and love that Christmas is supposed to represent. As much as I hate to say this, you are better off buying the disaster that Mariah Carey put out last year

to get a better feel for Christmas.

Most of the songs on this CD were...in a word...awful. Songs like "Angels We Have Heard On High" and "What Child is this?" were better off on the shelf. The only song that almost impressed me is "Hark the Herald Angels Sing." Sorry Vanessa, try again.

Arts at the Angels present The Worcester State Chorale in concert, Friday, November 22, 1996 at 7:30 p.m. The Chorale will perform a cappella choral music under the direction of Christie Nigro and also the *Magnificat sei voci* of 1610 by Monteverdi with organ accompaniment. The concert is free and open to the public.

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Arts & Entertainment

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By Dave Spencer

A Creature So Foul, So Cruel, That No Man Yet has Fought With It, and Lived!!

Hey, "No gnus is good gnus"
-Gary Gnu

OUT THIS WEEK:

Dark Horse Comics

This is a list of books scheduled to be in stores this week from Dark Horse Comics.

Dark Horse Presents #115-\$2.95, features John Arcudi's The Creep, along with Dr. Spin and Trypto the Acid Dog.

Ghost #19-\$2.50, Ghost and Barb Wire must try to escape from Black Heart Nebraska!

Gunsmith Cats: The Return of Gray #4-\$2.95, Rally Vincent is out of ammo and surrounded by Gray's gang!

Insider #12-Features who's who and what's what at Dark Horse Comics.

Star Wars: Tales of the Jedi: The Golden Age of the Sith #2-Gav and Jori Daragson are caught between warring factions hoping to become the new masters of the Sith, 5,000 years before Luke is born.

DC Comics

This is a list of books scheduled to be in stores this week from DC Comics.

Adventures of Superman #542-\$1.95, The wacky folks at the Cadmus Project try to help Supes get his powers back.

Animaniacs #21-\$1.75, Look for a guest appearance by everyone's favorite fat man!

Azrael #25-\$1.95, Azrael learns that Rollo has unleashed the Order of St. Dumas' greatest weapon, which could destroy the world!

Batman #538-\$1.95, In the Arctic, Batman strives to save Man-Bat from himself.

Batman: Blackgate #1-\$3.95, Batman goes undercover at Blackgate Prison. Word of Batman's arrival has spread, and criminals and readers alike must figure out who is Batman.

Green Arrow #116-\$2.25, Green Arrow and Company converge on a Japanese stronghold.

Impulse #21-\$1.75, The Legion guest stars when Impulse decides to return to the

30th century. Legionnaires #44-\$2.25, The Legion Rejects exact revenge on the Legionnaires.

New Gods #14-\$1.95, The Forever People return to help pick up the pieces.

Night Force #2-\$2.25, Baron Winters and the team must save humanity from the threat of ...peace?

Sovereign Seven #18-\$1.95, The Sovereigns are shocked when a member quits.

Superboy Plus #1-\$2.95, Capt. Marvel Jr. and Superboy vs. Captain Marvel and Superman.

Supergirl #5-\$1.95, Supergirl visits Ma and Pa Kent and is visited by Chemo!

Superman/Wonder Woman: Whom Gods Destroy #2-\$4.95, Lois and Clark journey to the heart of the Third Reich.

Tempest #3-\$1.75, Garth's true origin is revealed.

Helix Comics

This is a list of books scheduled to be in stores this week from Helix Comics.

The Black Lamb #3-\$2.50, The Black Lamb re-lives his

origin in Celtic Ireland.

Bloody Mary #4-\$2.50, It's World War III all over again!

Milestone Media

This is a list of books scheduled to be in stores this week from Milestone Media.

Static #43-\$2.50, Static and Blood Syndicate battle their most dangerous foe...Frieda Goren.

Vertigo

This is a list of books scheduled to be in stores this week from Vertigo.

The Books of Magic #32-\$2.50, "Rites of Passage" continues.

Essential vertigo: The Sandman #6-\$1.95, Dr. Destiny unleashes the power of the Sandman on an unsuspecting Diner.

House of Secrets #4-\$2.50, When Rain and Traci go to a concert, Eric dives into a sea of hands, and is pulled into the House of Secrets.

WSC ALUM DAVE MAYNARD RETURNS TO ROCK O.L.P.

by Lar N. Jitis

Wicked Maynard Groupie

Returning to WSC this week for a performance at One Lancer Place is Dave Maynard, graduate of the class of 1996 and former Editor of the Voice. Maynard and his guitar will be taking a night off the local music scene (where the artist has been spending much time as of late) to return home to O.L.P., where he will play for the sure-to-be-packed pub audience some of his original songs, as well as some crowd-pleasin' favorites. Be sure to check out this wicked cool night of music from this truly talented musician and all-around great guy; and be sure to check out next week's VOICE, which will feature a review of the show, as well as an interview with Dave and an update on his upcoming performance dates around the area.



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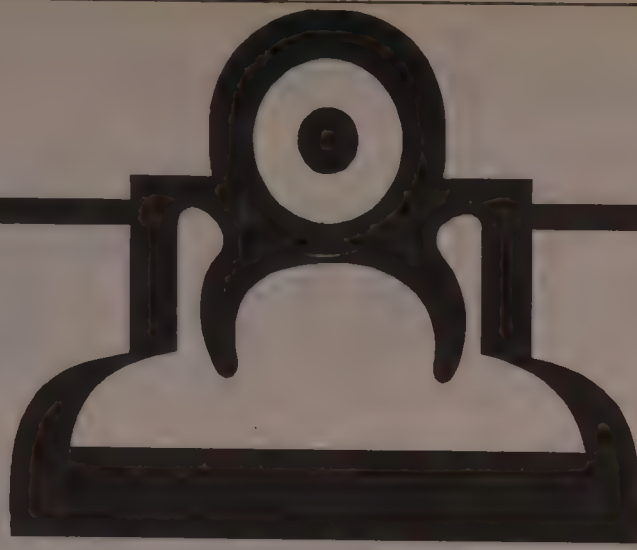
WSC Production of Love of the Nightingale to Open Tonight!



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Thursday, Nov. 21

- Senior Capping
- Spaghetti Dinner at 5:30pm at Campus Ministry house.
- WSC Theatre Production, Love of the Nightingale
- Last day to register

Friday, Nov. 22

- TWA Asian Dance 8pm to 1 am
- WSC Theatre Production, Love of the Nightingale

Saturday, Nov. 23

- Labor Thanksgiving Day (Japan)
- WSC Theatre Production, Love of the Nightingale

Sunday, Nov. 24

- WSC Theatre Production, Love of the Nightingale

Monday, Nov. 25

- WSCW record sale
- Thanksgiving Dinner at Campus Ministry House at 6pm

Tuesday, Nov. 26

- Paul Fioretti speaks at 6:30pm in Sullivan Building room 222

Wednesday, Nov. 27

- Thanksgiving Break Begins (through Sunday)

Thursday, Nov. 28

- Happy Thanksgiving Day!!!

Friday, Nov. 29

- Thanksgiving Break Continues

Saturday, Nov. 30

- Thanksgiving Break Day 4

Sunday, Dec. 1

- Thanksgiving Break Ends
- Happy Independence Day (Portugal)

Monday, Dec. 2

- AIDS Quilt

Tuesday, Dec. 3

- AIDS Quilt
- Ice Hockey vs. Fitchburg State at 7pm

Wednesday, Dec. 4

- AIDS Quilt
- Men's Basketball at 7pm

Thursday, Dec. 5

- Hanukkah begins at sunset today
- Women's Basketball vs. Emmanuel at 7pm

Only 11 class days till the end of classes!!!!

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The Soapbox

Most of the time, we walk around miserable, thinking that "life sucks" or "it would be better if..." types of thoughts. It gets to the point that we begin to feel sorry for ourselves. Rarely, if ever, do we stop and look at what we do have, those things that make our life not only bearable but downright enjoyable.

The most overlooked thing is family. Too often we underappreciate them, and they us. Stupid fights and arguments lead to situations where family members sometimes will not talk to each other for years. Of course, there are those who have lost their families. They know what we

cannot: what it is like to not have a family. One of my friends often chastises me when I complain about my family.

Many of us think bad thoughts of those we consider our friends. It is nothing intentional, they will get under our skins, and agitate to the point of supreme irritation. We don't mean to, it's just a part of human nature. Sometimes you just do need to scream, especially when your friend accidentally erases your 42-page paper. We just need to remember what it is like to not have friends. Some people, hard as it may be to believe, have few or no friends.

What I consider the most important thing that we forget to remember to give thanks for, is our significant (or insignificant as the case may be) other. Often when they infuriate us, and they will do this (have no doubts about it), we refer to them as "bonehead," or we scream when they aggravate us by doing something we consider stupid. But, we all remember when we didn't have that certain special someone, who makes life worth living. Some of us currently don't have that sort of attachment, or recently "broke up" as it were. They either do not know, or choose not to remember that feeling.

When the time came to write this column, I thought to myself "oh man, I don't want to write this." But when

I thought of the topic for this week, I remembered that I am thankful that I could possibly help the readers of this column, and also that I have a forum where I can spout off every week.

There are so many things to be thankful for; family, friends, and, of course, the one you love (who according to the song is, ironically, the only one you hurt). We must remember the good things over the bad, else we fall prey to negative feelings, and not being thankful for what we do have.

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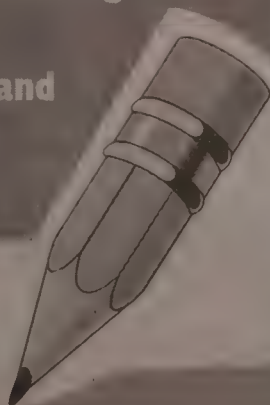
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Campus Ministry Provides A Place To Grow

by Christopher M. Smith
Voice Staff

The Campus Ministry offers students a place to go where they can socialize and participate in various activities that offer opportunities for growth and learning. The resources at the Ministry are available to all students seven days a week. There are no specific hours and any student can sign the key out for the house by presenting their student ID at the Campus Police. There is a TV, VCR, Stereo, board games, books and kitchen facilities available. The house belongs to WSC and it is located up behind Dowden Hall and the basketball court. Since 1984 the Campus Ministry has been a safe place to go for students to explore and practice their beliefs within a community that promotes education and well-being.

In September of 1990, Fr. Tim Brewer began at the Ministry here at WSC. He cares about the people here a lot and he is very active in helping students to meet their needs within the context of what the Ministry provides. This is largely defined by the students themselves so, Fr. Brewer works "with" the students as a colleague in many ways in addition to his primary function as a Catholic Priest. This team effort also includes Rev. Val Nordbye who is the Protestant Campus Minister. Also, if a student seeks a representative of another faith they are referred by Fr. Brewer and/or Rev. Nordbye so that they can have access to the kind of guidance that they want.

The Campus Ambassadors have a Bible Study which is held in the Student Center on Thursdays at 6:00 PM.

On Wednesdays they put together a spaghetti dinner in the evening. The Newman Association does a considerable amount of community outreach and volunteering. These efforts include tutoring, building houses in conjunction with "Habitat For Humanity", working with the mentally retarded, helping at the Clark Manor Nursing Home, various shelters and much more. There is a Catholic Mass held on Sunday evenings in Dowden Hall at 7:00 PM. Wednesday evenings Conformation class is offered at 7:15 PM. Soccer and basketball teams are sometimes hosted for dinner also. On the weekend of the 15th over twenty students attended a retreat in Watch Hill, RI that was sponsored by the Campus Ministry. Their next retreat will be on the weekend of March 7th of next year in West Yarmouth, MA.

During Homecoming the Campus Ministry house was dedicated to Fr. Roland J. Chenier who was the former Campus Minister who died in January. Fr. Brewer says "The Campus Ministry provides a place to ask the important questions in life and to explore their relationship with God and provide atmosphere where that can happen. It is my hope that the Campus Ministry will continue to be an integral part of the WSC community. Reaching out, adapting and helping to create community on campus are all very important. The Campus Ministry is open to everyone." Many of the students that utilize the Ministry live on campus but not all. Some of them are commuters, but Fr. Brewer would like to encourage more

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Many people live within the Beaver Brook watershed, but are unaware of it because much of the brook flows beneath our streets and playgrounds as it makes its way to the Middle River which flows into the Blackstone. Do you live near the Beaver Brook Watershed?

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F. Y. I.

Class of '97 President Resigns

By Keith Vezeau
Staff Writer

Amy Mercer has resigned after successfully serving as President of the Class of '97 for the past three years. Amy has provided valuable leadership that has brought her class to their final year as undergraduates at Worcester State College.

Last Wednesday, the Senior class Officers called their President before a Senate Impeachment Committee. The impeachment hearing was called on the grounds that the Senior Class President had not fulfilled "the expectations of a president according to the Synergy book." "Synergy" is the hand book which defines the roles and responsibilities of all student leaders at Worcester State College.

The Impeachment Committee was composed of five Senate members. Overseeing the hearing were Paul Joseph, Dean of Student Development as well as Faculty Member Ted Lethsteensen. Contained in the hearing were strict guidelines ensuring fair and equal representation for both parties involved. These guidelines dictated that each side would speak for one half hour

each, followed by the opportunity for each side to speak five minutes of closing statements. Questions were then permitted from the gallery as well as from the Senate Committee. Opening the hearing was the Class of 97's Vice President. The Vice President presented the Senate Impeachment Committee with a packet stating specific reasons which led the Senior Class Officers to request the hearing. The Senior Class Officers felt that Amy's inability to attend many of the Senior meetings and functions, although due to personal reasons and job commitments, would be detrimental to the Senior Class as a whole.

Specific concerns were examined with fairness and in excruciating detail by the Senate Impeachment Committee. Questions were then entertained from the Senate Impeachment Committee as well as from the gallery.

With no further comments from either side, the Senate Secretary adjourned the hearing pending decision the following afternoon at the S.G.A. meeting. Amy Mercer resigned with best intentions for herself as well as for the class she selflessly served.

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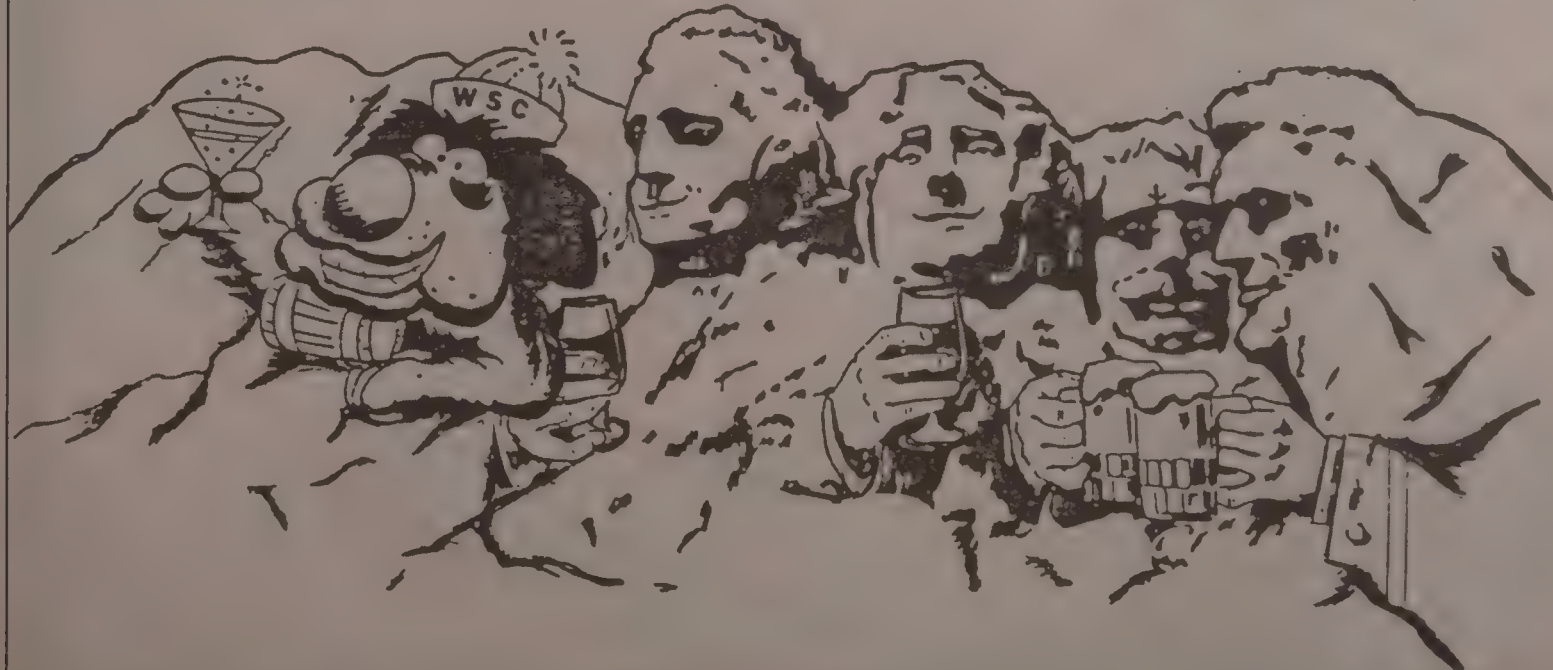
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Arts & Entertainment

WSC Visual and Performing Arts Department Presents "The Love of the Nightingale" By Timberlake Wertenbaker

Keith Vezeau
Voice Staff

Ann Marie Shea directs an intriguing play set in the abstract space of the mind. "The Love of the Nightingale" melds Greek mythology with modern day originality to question one's own morality in the face of life's temptations and the quest for truth. Or, if you prefer blood, rape, incest, murder, or if you would just like to see our own Ziad Al-Azem castrate the Captain, this is the show for you.

I'm not one who customarily frequents the Theatre so it took me while to actually figure out what was going on. Well let me tell you the waiting was worth it! Four murders, a tongue removal, and a castration is certain to grab any one's attention.

Aside from the superficial violent sex aspect, the plot has a real modern day significance and is easy to relate to. This is accomplished through the well trained and convincing cast which included Ramona Puchalski as Procne, Michelle Buonopane as Philomele, Sally Earle as Niobe, JoAnne

C. LaValle as Queen/June, Renee Arnold as Hero/Phaedre, Lisa Vigeant as Iris/Aphrodite, Yoon Choi as, Echo/Nurse, Anne Harney as Helen/Chorus in play, Ziad A. Al-Azem as Tereus, D. Adam Boaz as Captain/Theseus, Rich Preston as King Pandion/Male Chorus, Dean Drake as Hippolytus/2nd Soldier, Doug Elfman as Male Chorus in play/1st soldier, and Jeremy Feldman as Itys. Other members who deserve credit and recognition for their hard work and dedication include Designer/Technical Director Hallie Zieselman and Stage Manager Shiloh Rusk.

From my untrained point of view this is an excellent play that deserves the attention of all who can afford to see it. The Curtain rises at 8:00PM on Thursday Nov. 21 in the Administration Theatre. All other dates are Nov. 22, 23 @ 8:00 PM and Nov. 24 @ 2:00 PM

For tickets call 508-793-8000 x8843. \$7 General \$5 Student Available at WSC Student Center.

by Jeff Gonyea
Voice Staff

Over the past two weekends, Nov. 8, 9, 10, 15, 16, 17, the drama department at Holy Cross put on a production of William Shakespeare's comedy Measure for Measure.

The performance was extremely popular, and rightly so, as it was completely sold out. Unknowingly, I arrived at the theatre approximately 15 minutes prior to the start of the show. Walking into a crowded foyer, I worked my way over to the ticket booth, only to hear "Barry, party of 5." Knowing this meant that a waiting list was being called for unclaimed tickets, and the fact that there were about a dozen other people waiting to hear their names, I was disappointed at not getting to see the play. The ticketmaster then held up a single ticket and called "I have one ticket left, and the play is starting, who wants in?" Having a date with me for the show, a single ticket did us no good. On our way to the exit, a Holy Cross student came over to me and asked how many tickets I was looking for. When I replied "two," he immediately told me that he would sell them to me for \$6 each. Excited to see the play, I gladly paid the \$12 dollars (which was double the normal \$3 each ticket price). On our way into the theatre, I leaned over to my date and whispered, "I can't believe we just scalped our way into a Shakespearian play."

As always, the drama department at Holy Cross, specifically set designer William J. Rynders, made the most of the limited stage space available with a cleverly designed set. Four sets of elaborate gates, painted differ-

ent colors on different sides, as well as excellent lighting, divided the fixed set into specifically focused scenes.

The performance itself left nothing to be desired. The entire spectrum of emotion poured onto the stage by the seemingly all-star cast, evoked every response that I would suggest Shakespeare intended when he wrote the play. Ranging from outrageous laughter to a tear-jerking scene of forgiveness, each character gave his/her all and it was more than appreciated by the audience.

Barnadine, a dissolute prisoner played by Patrick J. Schleisman, was one of the comic highlights with his literally slobbering funny performance. Joining him with his more witty comedy, was Lucio, best friend of Claudio played by Stephen Shove, more than lived up to the definition of his "fantastic" character. Conversely, I felt a tear forming when Isabel, near rape victim of Angelo, played by Hope Pulick, dropped to a knee to plead for Angelo's life to be spared. Each member of this cast performed as if their role was the most important one on the stage. This type of dedication and professionalism translate into the best performances, which is what was given here.

Wherever literature majors in the colleges of Worcester were over the past two weekends, they should have been at Holy Cross' Fenwick Theatre. This production of Shakespeare's Measure for Measure was, by far, the highlight of the year for drama and literature students, as well as anyone who enjoys an excellent performance of a great play.

To all those who missed this one, all I can say is "Sorry!"



EVITA: The Movie. Madonna Makes her Mark

Ziad Al-Azem
Editor-In-Chief

"THE MOST TALKED ABOUT MOVIE OF THE YEAR" is to be released on Christmas day. "Evita", the movie, starring Madonna, Antonio Banderas, Jonathan Pryce, and Jimmy Nail is bound to be one of the all time greatest musicals.

The part of Eva Peron has been the most coveted role for the last few years. Before filming actually began, it was rumored that Michelle Pfeifer and Meryl Streep had landed the role. When it was decided that Alan Parker would direct the film, Madonna wrote him an 8 page letter explaining why she thought that she deserved the role, and why she could do a better job than anyone else. Shortly after that, Madonna signed onto the Evita project, and in a month, we will have a finished product...and judging by the trailer, this is going to be one great flick.

The soundtrack, a brilliant combination of all the songs from the musical phenomenon, was recently released by Warner

Bros. Inc./Time Warner Company on a double CD. Disc one takes the listener through Eva's early life as a "whore," and actress, up until she meet Peron. Disc two, which includes the all time classic hit "Don't Cry for Me Argentina", starts from Eva's rise to fame, and goes on to her death.

The score, which was created by Tim Rice (lyrics), and Andrew Lloyd Webber (music), is one of the most recognized pieces of music ever written...and with good reason. The music is moving, touching and will play with one's emotions in a way that is unthinkable. You'll find yourself being happy and sad in the same breath of air. This love story is one that is known all around the world as one of the most beautiful tales in history.

Critics are already raving about the soundtrack, and the first single released entitled "You Must Love Me" shot into the charts at number 11. This 60 million dollar film is definitely 'the most talked about movie of the year.'



The Annual Christopher House "Pumpkin Patch Fair" benefit for residents activities will take place on Saturday, Nov. 23. The festivities begin at 10 am and run through 3 pm. There will be crafts, notions, Christmas gift items, home baked goods, candy, flea market, Crocheted items, and refreshments. There will be free door prizes. The public is welcome, and admission is free.

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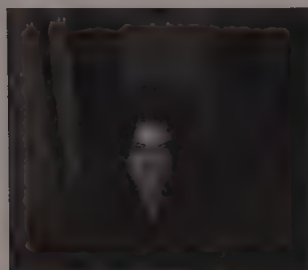
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"Here they are, the Resident Assistants of WSC. Often, they are not seen as anything but "student police." In truth, RA's are here to provide resources, encouragement, support, and policy enforcement for their fellow residents. RA's have taken an active role in the betterment of their residents. Get to know their faces, (even if it is through dart practice), because they are here to help make the college experience more rewarding, positive, and safe."

—Kristen Servant, Resident Assistant.



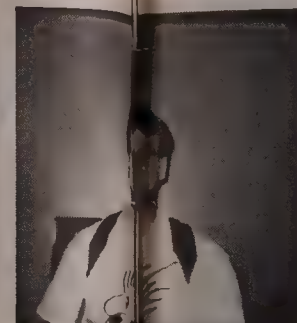
NAME: Renee Arnold
LOCATION: CV 25-3
CLASS: Sophomore, "I think"
TID-BIT: I write poetry, I am a communications major, I'm having a nervous breakdown, and I like people.



NAME: Dean Drake
LOCATION: CV 26-1
CLASS: Sophomore
TID-BIT: Ex-Marine, Geography major, drives a school bus, "just leave me alone and I will leave you alone."



NAME: Chris Frombach
LOCATION: DH 454
CLASS: Senior
TID-BIT: OT major, likes to waterski and play hockey.



NAME: Jamie Mermott
LOCATION: DH first floor
CLASS: "I don't know any class"
TID-BIT: I am an OT/Psychology major who likes to be naked through large daisy fields. My favorite color is off-white and I love watching "Three's Company" reruns while eating.



NAME: Myon Irish
LOCATION: DH Third Floor
CLASS: Sophomore
TID-BIT: I am an OT major, and my favorite color is red.

NAME: Matt Germano
LOCATION: CV 11-3
CLASS: My fifth year
TID-BIT: Double major, OT and psychology.



NAME: Robert Mahoney
LOCATION: CV 5-3
CLASS: SO./JR.
TID-BIT: Celtics fanatic, original member of the Sweathogs, down with the underdog, always wear short.

NAME: Erin Kelly
LOCATION: CV 18-3
CLASS: Junior
TID-BIT: She's happy to be 21 (love, us).



NAME: Eric Dutton
LOCATION: CV 3-3
CLASS: Sophomore
TID-BIT: Original member of the Sweathogs, a Communication Disorders Major. My CVA is the mighty John Bowler. His favorite color is periwinkle.



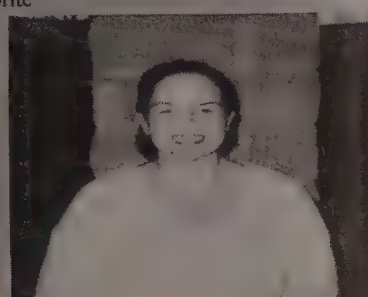
NAME: Luca Servino
LOCATION: CV 7-3
CLASS: "I am out of here"
TID-BIT: I am out of here very soon, not too shabby. Anyway, I wanted to say how much I'll miss the faces that I have seen, and the new people that I've met and known. Luv ya "bye," Snappahead.



NAME: Judy Maleckas
LOCATION: CV 17-3
CLASS: Senior (Graduating in May 97)
TID-BIT: Dual Major: Elementary ed, Psychology. WSC Women's Varsity Volleyball, I enjoy working with children and I will be student teaching next semester.



NAME: Katie Lapointe
LOCATION: DH 261
CLASS: Sophomore
TID-BIT: I hate being called Kate, it must be (K.T.), I am a sophomore in OT.



NAME: Kristen Servant
LOCATION: CV 1-1
CLASS: Junior
TID-BIT: Known as the "Condo Queen", helps to educate the college community.



NAME: Thomas Spenard
LOCATION: DH 239
CLASS: In between Sophomore and Junior
TID-BIT: I am a student with no 1 major, I am known for my Eddie Bauer Wardrobes and also my salon-like hair, and handcuffs.



NAME: Julie Pramas
LOCATION: DH Fourth Floor
CLASS: Junior
TID-BIT: My major is english, I am on the track and field team, my favorite color is beige.



NAME: Laura White
LOCATION: DH 541
CLASS: Senior
TID-BIT: Major: Health Science, Favorite Color: Pink, Member of BACCHUS.

NAME: John Dean
LOCATION: CV 14-3
CLASS: Somewhere between Freshman and my Doctorate
TID-BIT: "Hey, I am the newest RA, I think I like the power."

NAME: Natalie Flynn
LOCATION: DH third floor
CLASS: Junior
TID-BIT: I am an OT major, and a Spanish Minor. I love to travel, drive my Honda, spend time at the beach and at the ocean.

Arts & Entertainment

Τη Χομικ Στριπ

By Dave Spencer
The Not-Quite-So-Brave-As-Sir-Launcelot

Due to the Voice's skip week next week, I am going to have to put two weeks worth of releases in this column this week.

After *Shattered Image* is over (and I can't wait for it to be over, P.U.), the second *Image* crossover begins, as *Mars Attacks the Image Universe*.

Tempus Fugitive, is the story of Ray 27, a freedom fighter from a dark future, who is here to erase that future. Or is *Tempus Fugitive* the story of Ray 27, the evil psychopath who is here to destroy the future utopia? This will ship in about two months from **Dark Horse Comics**.

Lobo Teams up with the Mask, or rather is hired to track down someone who looks like the Mask. And just wait until Lobo puts the Mask on. This ships next month from DC and **Dark Horse Comics**.

DC's new guardian of the mystic balance, Fate, returns to a monthly series in a few weeks. *The Book of Fate* is the story of Jared Stevens, in whose hands the fate of the world lies.

OUT THIS WEEK:

Dark Horse Comics

This is a list of books scheduled to be in stores this week from Dark Horse Comics.

Big Blown Baby #4-\$2.95, Bill Wray ends this mini-series in a BIG way.

The Black Pearl #3-\$2.95, Jerry Delman incites "Pearl-mania."

Chronowar #4-\$2.95, You have to see it to believe it.

Gamera #4-\$2.95, Gamera helps a giant squid destroy Paris.

DC Comics

This is a list of books scheduled to be in stores this week from DC Comics.

Action Comics #729-\$1.95, Superman returns to his fortress, hopefully to regain his powers.

Aquaman #28-\$1.75, Aquaman tries to regain control of Poseidonis.

Aztek: The Ultimate Man #6-\$1.75, The Joker pays Aztek a visit.

The Batman and Robin Adventures #14-\$1.75, A young crook must ask Batman for help, after escaping from him.

Batman: The Long Halloween #2-\$2.95, Holiday continues his spree.

DC Universe Holiday Bash #1-\$3.95, Several heroes have holiday adventures, including Green Lantern, Flash, Superman, and others.

Detective Comics #705-\$1.95, Batman is caught between Riddler and Cluemaster.

Lobo #35-\$2.25, Lobo signs as the trail guide to the "Death Trek."

Looney Tunes #27-\$1.75, The Looney Tunes replaced?

Superboy #35-\$1.95, Superboy is kidnapped and brought to a cloning facility.

Superman's Metropolis-\$5.95, The oppressed look for a superman, to save them from the ruling class.

Thrillkiller #1-\$2.50, Barbara Gordon and Dick Grayson become the adventurers Batgirl and Robin.

Wonder Woman Plus #1-\$2.95, Wonder Woman and Jesse Quick team up against one of the remaining speed ninjas from "Dead Heat"

Helix Comics

This is a list of books scheduled to be in stores this week from Helix Comics.

Gemini Blood #5-\$2.25, Nick closes in on Rolk's true identity.

Time Breakers #1-\$2.25, The Time Breakers, whose mission it is to create time paradoxes!

Milestone Media

This is a list of books scheduled to be in stores

Terceron City, or die trying.

Species: Human Race #1-\$2.95, They thought the threat was over...now we all pay the price.

Star Wars: X-Wing Rogue Squadron-The Warrior Princess #1-\$2.95, The royal court of Eiattu comes to reclaim a member from the ranks of the squadron.

Usagi Yojimbo #7-\$2.95, Usagi aids Nakamura Koji on his warrior pilgrimage.

DC Comics

This is a list of books scheduled to be in stores this week from DC

Wonder Woman #117-\$1.95, Wonder Woman and Mike Schorr are all that stand between the Earth and the Earth Movers.

World's Finest: Superboy/Robin #2-\$4.95, Superboy is under Poison Ivy's spell, Metallo's on a rampage, and Robin must stop the trio with only a kryptonite ring!

Helix Comics

This is a list of books scheduled to be in stores this week from Helix Comics.

Vermillion #4-\$2.25, The ships engines go nuts, transforming the interior into a jungle. Now Jonathan Cave and associates must make it to the control room before it's too late.

Milestone Media

This is a list of books scheduled to be in stores this week from Milestone Media.

Hardware #47-\$2.50, Curtis Metcalf sits on the jury for a murder trial.

Vertigo

This is a list of books scheduled to be in stores this week from Vertigo.

Essential Vertigo: Swamp Thing #3-\$1.95, The Floronic Man goes insane.

Hellblazer #109-\$2.25, Constantine is drawn to Northern England, where a deadly virus has reemerged.

Mythos: The Final Tour #2-\$5.95, Case's career shifts into high gear.

THE BACK ISSUE BIN

Green Lantern: Emerald

Dawn #1-6

Comics.

The Batman Chronicles #7-\$2.95, Supes and Bats don't quite see eye-to-eye over a woman on death row.

Batman: Legends of the Dark Knight #90-\$1.95, Batman must face an insane Clayface.

Catwoman #41-\$1.95, Gordon assigns a task force (of sorts) to prove that Catwoman is still committing crimes.

DC/Marvel: All Access #3-\$1.95, Access asks Batman for aid, and must face Dr. Strange.

The Flash #121-\$1.75, Flash must stop the Piper from doing something he'll regret.

Hitman 310-\$2.25, Monaghan must face squads of heavily armed S.W.A.T. teams. Guest starring Green Lantern.

Legion of Super-Heroes #88-\$2.25, Impulse tries to join the Legion.

Robin #37-\$1.95, Robin vs. the Toyman and the General.

Scare Tactics #2-\$2.25, The world's freakiest band's 1996 tour begins!

The Spectre #49-\$2.25, The Spectre tangles with the National Interest.

Superboy and the Ravers #5-\$1.95, Hero's origin is revealed when the Ravers spend the holidays with his family.

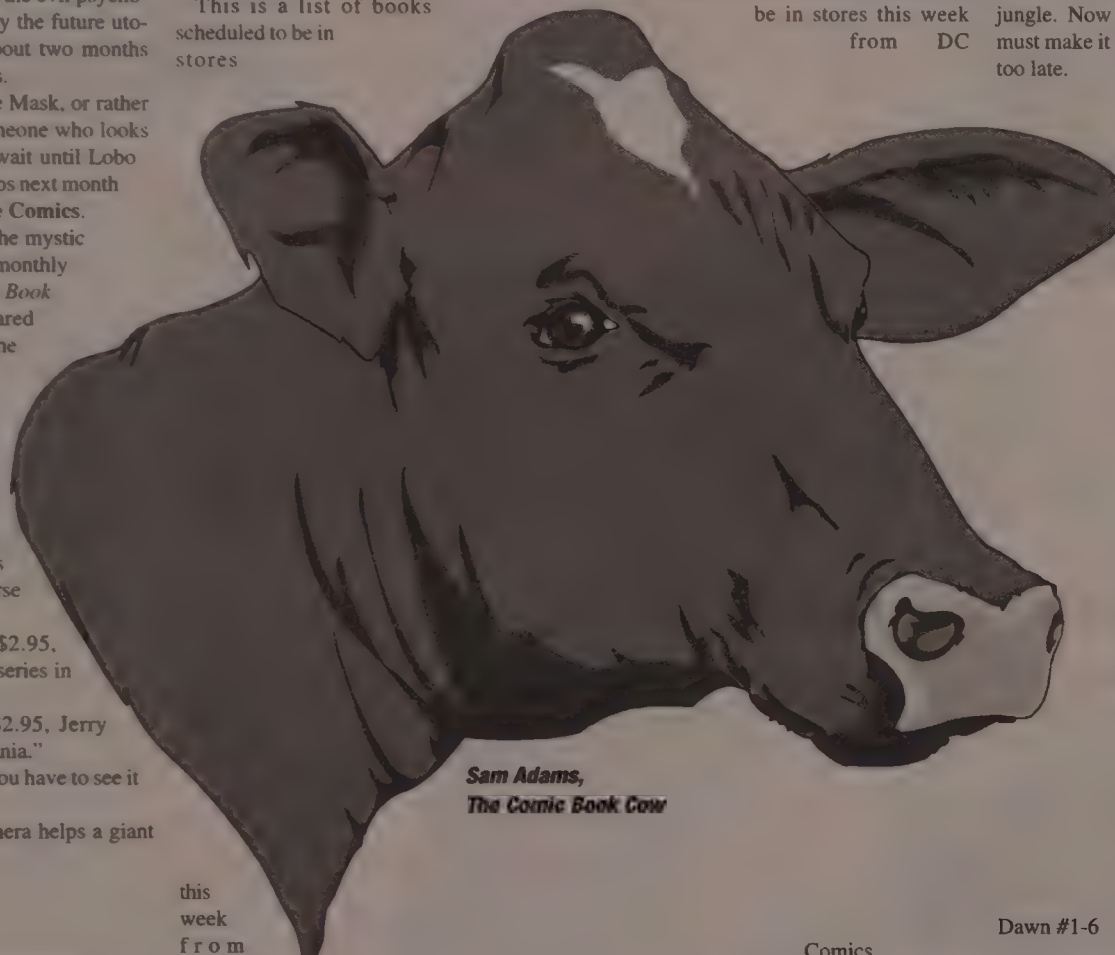
Superman: The Man of Steel #64-\$1.95, Superman launches himself into the Sun to jump-start his powers.

Teen Titans 34-\$1.95, Nightwing investigates the Team, Supergirl is kidnapped, and the Titans blow up the headquarters, leaving Capt. Marvel Jr. to save the Risk.

Publisher: DC Comics

Wizard Guide Value: about \$21 or available as a TPB

With all the hoopla about the death of Hal Jordan about over, I thought I'd put in his origin story in the Back Issue Bin. This mini-series, which was released waaaaaay back in 1989, featured what was at the time the definitive origin of Green Lantern. We see Hal Jordan as a drunk test pilot, kicked off even simulator runs, and living on the coat tails of his father, who has been dead for years. He finagles his way into a simulator test, which is then ripped from the ground in a mysterious flash of green light. The simulator lands several miles away outside a crashed spaceship where Hal receives his power ring from Abin Sur. That's the first issue in a nut shell. This origin story deals more with how Jordan went from being a nobody, no-nothing loser, to the straightest of straight arrow heroes. Along the way he finds out the meaning of responsibility, learns why impetuosity is no good for someone so powerful, meets other famous Green Lanterns such as Tomar Re and Kilowog, and must eventually face the threat of Legion, a creature so powerful that the Guardians of the Universe ordered the Lanterns to abandon Oa to it, alone. Oh, and he does the one thing that no other Green Lantern before or since has ever done. Want to know what it is? Read the book.



Sam Adams,
The Comic Book Cow

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Wise Son: The White Wolf #3-\$2.50, The media fans the flame of prejudice.

Vertigo

This is a list of books scheduled to be in stores this week from Vertigo.

Blood: A Tale #3-\$2.95, The vampire, Blood, lives a lifetime as a human.

The Dreaming #8-\$2.50, An unpleasant visitor from Cain's past visits the House of Mystery.

Sandman Mystery Theatre #46-\$2.50, Jahnoas Prohaska (Blackhawk) is arrested for the murder of a young coed.

OUT NEXT WEEK:

Dark Horse Comics

This is a list of books scheduled to be in stores this week from Dark Horse Comics.

Adventures of the Mask #11-\$2.50, Charlie puts on the Mask and becomes Santa Ma\$K.

Blade of the Immortal: Genius #2-\$2.95, When Sori gives up fighting, Manji must face a horde of ninja by himself.

Body Bags #3-\$2.95, Panda learns a valuable lesson about being a body bagger.

The Heretic #1-\$2.95, There's a new hero in town, who will clean up the streets of

Arts & Entertainment

Dining Out The College Way With *Trish* and Roula



Picnic on Park is just that minus, of course, the park. It is located at the corner of Park Ave (318) and Chandler Street. This can't be classified as a deli because it's more than that but it doesn't fit in the category of a restaurant or a cafe. We'll call it a bakery if you want to label it. It offers an extensive choice of pastries, breads, sandwiches, some salads and many dessert choices.

If you are looking for casual, it doesn't get any better than this. You walk in, go to the counter, place your order, pay, eat, and leave.

Artwork for sale hangs on the wall and jazz plays in the background and as Trish said the atmosphere is casual.

Croissants, muffins, and bagels are offered for breakfast. They offer soups, salads, various baked goods, and many desserts. Their desserts include ice cream, yogurt, sundaes, cheesecakes, and brownies.

We walked up to the counter and contemplated our choices. I decided on a turkey breast sandwiches on French baquette bread with romaine lettuce and ketchup for \$4.25. To drink I had pink lemonade. The turkey sandwich didn't quite live up to my expectations. MY tastebuds didn't water for this particular turkey, yet Trish assures me it was good quality turkey.

The hardest part of lunch is ordering. If

you are having soup or salad, you'll be fine. But if you are adventurous like Roula and I and go for the sandwiches, you must: a)

7 grain, sourdough, pumpernickel, rye, wheat, white, bagel, croissant or bulky c) pick a cheese; Brie, Muenster, American,

choose condiments, garnishes and additional. The sandwiches range from \$3.25 to \$4.25 + \$.50 for cheese and \$.75 for the additional (potato salad and cole slaw). But don't make any mistakes, for that price you will not get fries with this sandwich. A pickle, yes! Fries, no!

I chose the tuna salad on French bread with Swiss cheese, romaine lettuce, tomato and Bermuda onions. After a while, we had to inquire as to where our food was. We were told there had been a slight error but that the mistake would be fixed promptly... Still no fries!..

Finally, we received our food. The bread was fresh and the sandwich was delicious, probably the best in the city. But don't expect to have a conversation, you'll be chewing most of the time. I washed all of this down with orange-mango by Nantucket Nectars..

The meal came to total of \$12.07 for the two of us. The food was good but the choices were minimal.

Except for a mix up with our orders which came after a while, we had a good experience.

Stars are earned according to the price, quality of food, and service.



pick a filling. You can choose from roast beef, corn beef, turkey breast, ham, pastami, egg salad, chicken salad, tuna salad and seafood salad. b) pick a bread; French,

Cheddar, Swiss, Gouda, garlic herb or Provolone. We cannot afford to have you sleeping through the rest of this article so suffice it to say that steps d, e and f allow you to

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Arts & Entertainment

NEW DISCS, OLD DISCS: THE TOP TEN LIST...SORT OF

by Lar N. Jitis
Voice Staff

So many misguided souls come into the classy establishment where I am employed (namely, Newbury Comics) and wander about with this puzzled, sort of dazed look about them. Of course, this sort of pathetic behaviour is classic: you're a music maven, not unlike myself, and you are surrounded by so many discs and so much vinyl, and all of a sudden, you have no recollection of what you've come for. So I will eventually compile here for you a small "top ten" list for each of my favourite categories...complete with soundtracks, new releases, and everything else. And of course, this is not a blatant outcry for more friendly WSC students to come to the establishment where I am employed...instead, consider it gentle persuasion. At any rate...

NEW RELEASES:

10. "Evita"- believe it or not, Madonna does have real talent. "Like a Virgin" this is not.
9. "Razorblade Suitcase"- I personally unpacked 250 copies of it, and it's better than "Sixteen Stone." Plus, Gavin got cuter. But not eleven dollars cuter.
8. "Antichrist Superstar"- Scenario: "You guys carrying Marilyn Manson tickets?" Sure, kid, do us all a favor. Crawl back into your crypt and take Marilyn and his CD with you.
7. "Trainspotting"- Too bad all these little alterna-teens aren't literate enough to understand the music or the movie, or—gasp—the book. Manic Panic, anyone?
6. "From the Muddy Banks of the Wiskah"- The live Nirvana disc. And what will we hear on the radio for the next six months, boys and girls? Answer: every cut from

- "Nevermind" and "In Utero"- only, this time they're live, just in case we missed the acoustic versions on "Unplugged." Name for me one track off "Bleach" and you get a cookie.
5. "First Band on the Moon"- The Cardigans are wicked, wicked cool, and they'll be real trendy and popular soon, so make sure you pick up your copy today, before the bandwagon leaves without you.
 4. "Now I Got Worry"- Jon Spencer Blues Explosion...it's really loud and really good. Play it to be really obnoxious.
 5. "Falling Into You"- Celine Dion. Yeah, right. This column is conducting a test of your gag reflex. This is only a test.
 4. "Romeo and Juliet"- So you haven't seen the movie. Here's what to do. Watch "My So Called Life" while listening to wicked cool soundtrack. Practice Clare Danes'

facial twitches while Shirley Manson tells you she'd burn in hell for you. Then, read the Cliff Notes and you won't have missed a thing.

3. "Bilingual"- Do you miss the 80's? Did "West End Girls" do something for you? Hey, if you have a burning desire to hear the Pet Shop Boys regurgitate every top 40 hit they had, be my guest. "I'm single, bilingual, single, bilingual," talent, no talent, talent, no talent...

2. "Fashion Nugget"- a disc by Cake with a very simple premise: "Gee, we only have one song. Maybe we'll sing eleven different versions of it. Maybe we'll sing a whole song which contains nothing but the phrase 'shut the \$%#@ up.' And throw in a version of "I will Survive" just for kicks."

1. "Irresistable Bliss"- There is little talent rarer than Soul Coughing.'Nuff said.

The AIDS Quilt will be visiting the WSC campus. The dates are from Monday, Dec. 2nd, through Wednesday, Dec. 4. It will be located in the Student Center for all to view. This is brought to you by L'BIGA and the WSC Office of Diversity.

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Sports

The Sports Corner:

This Week's Topic: Football For Dummies

By David Spencer
Sports Corner Guest Columnist

In the Sports Corner this week, we have an abridged (make that very abridged) explanation of the rules of Football. These rules are by no means complete, but I hope to give a sense of how to understand the game. The game is somewhat complex, but the basics are easy to learn.

The first thing to know is that football is a game in which one team of eleven men tries to move the ball into the opposing team's endzone. The field is actually 100 yards long not including the two 10 yard endzones.

The team with the ball (called the offense) is given four downs (attempts) to move the ball ten yards. They don't have to move the ball all ten yards at once. If they do move the ball ten yards, they are rewarded with a new first down, and they get to keep doing this until they either can't move the ball the full ten yards or until they bring the ball into the endzone, which is called a touchdown.

A touchdown is worth 6 points. After a touchdown, the scoring team is allowed to try for either one or two extra points. If they go for two points, the ball is placed on the 5 yard line and the offensive team has one chance to either run or pass the ball into the endzone. If they go for 1 point, the ball is again placed on the 5 yard line, but it is instead snapped (snapping is the act of one of the players throwing the ball between his legs to another player) to a player who holds it for another player (called a kicker) to kick through the goal posts.

The two teams line up on what is called

the Line of Scrimmage is. The Line of Scrimmage, usually abbreviated to "The Line," is what yard line the football is placed on at the start of a play.

Now let's explain the positions. For the offense: The **Center** is the big guy who starts the play with his hand on the ball. To either side of him is a **Guard**, and on the other side of them from the Center are the **Tackles**. These five men are collectively known as the offensive line. The offensive line's job is to give time for the Quarterback to throw the ball or to make room for the Running Back to get past the defense. The **Quarterback** (also called the QB) is lined up directly behind the Center. He decides what plays to use, and whether to run or pass the ball. Usually lined up on one end or the other right next to a Tackle is what is called a **Tight End**. The Tight End, depending on the play can either block for the quarterback, or run out to receive a pass. Set further out, almost at the sides of the field, are the **Wide Receivers** (Also called Wide Outs) who are 2-3 in number. Their job is to run out and receive a pass. Lastly there is 1-2 men called Running Backs. They can either be given the ball by the QB, or block for him in a passing play.

The defense is fairly straightforward. The defensive line usually consists of three-four men. In the middle, is the **Nose Tackle**. He stands directly in front of the Center. To either side are **Defensive Tackles**. They are positioned between the Guard and Offensive Tackle. Sometimes another man will be set up at the end of the defensive line to try to get in at the QB. Standing behind them are three-four men called **Linebackers**. The defensive line and Linebackers try to tackle the Quarterback. Other than these

men, there is usually one man set for each receiver, and one man for each back set up behind the Linebackers. These men are called **Safeties**.

There is also one other special player who is on field to kick the ball away, to give the other team worse position when they take control of the ball. He is called a **Punter**.

Points are given as follows. A team gets six points for moving a ball into the opposing team's endzone. A team scoring a touchdown get extra points as described above. In the event that a team cannot get close enough for a touchdown, and it is their last down, they may attempt a field goal in which a kicker tries to kick a ball between the goal posts. This is worth three points. The only other way to get points is through what is called a Safety (this is not the same as the player). In this instance, the defense pushes the offense back into their own endzone. This is worth two points.

Glossary of common terms.

Clipping-is an illegal tackle to a player, who does not have possession of the football, from behind, and below the knees.

"D"-A common chant heard during a game. "D" is short for defense, which is who you want to succeed.

Fair Catch-During a special teams play, a receiver can call for a fair catch by waving his arms. In this situation, he cannot be hit, but he cannot run either.

Flag-(AKA penalty marker) This is thrown by a referee when he sees an illegal play.

Grounding, Intentional-The QB, when he is about to be tackled, will try to get rid of the ball so that the team will not lose any

yards. If he throws to a point where there is absolutely no possibility of reception, a referee may call this penalty.

Half-Time-This is a 12-15 minute period in the middle of the game, where the coaches discuss strategy with the team.

Huddle-This is when the offense and defense discuss their respective strategies between plays

Interception-This is when a defensive player catches a ball meant for an offensive player.

Kick-Off-This is the time at the beginning of the First and Third Quarters when one team kicks to another.

Markers-These are big red or orange sticks used to measure how far the offense has to go for a touchdown

Motion-This is when an offensive player moves before the ball is snapped. Only one back or receiver is allowed to move like this at a time.

Offsides-This is when an offensive player crosses the Line of Scrimmage before the ball is snapped.

Punt-This is when the offense chooses to kick the ball away on their fourth down rather than risk the defense having better field position, or after a touchdown, when the offense kicks the ball to the defense.

Quarter-This is one of four 15 minute playing periods.

Rushing-This is when the ball is handed by the QB to another player, who then runs with it.

Sack-A sack is any tackle which results in a loss of yards for the offense, but is usually reserved for when the QB is tackled.

Sidelines-These are both the actual lines running the length of the field along the sides, and the area just beyond it where

coaches and players not involved stand.

Special Teams-these are the two groups that are on field during a punt.

Touchback-This is when, during a punt, the ball is received in the endzone. The ball gets brought out to the twenty-yard line.

Turnover-This is when the ball changes possession from one team to another.

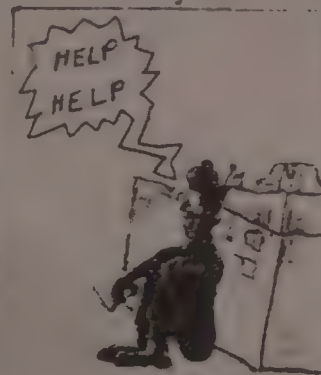
Two-Minute Offense-This is a type of offense, designed to be used after the two-minute warning, where the offense does not take time to huddle.

Two Minute Warning-This is a free time out given by the referees at the end of the second and fourth quarters

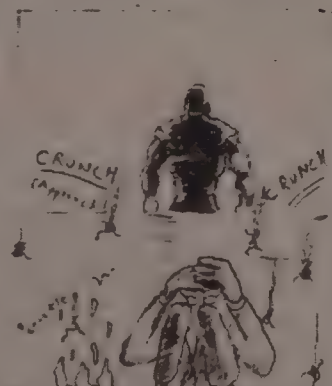
Jack Dogg Epics & Stories by Claudio Salazar



According to our last story:
It looks like the end for our hero...but of course, Jack Dogg cannot die...



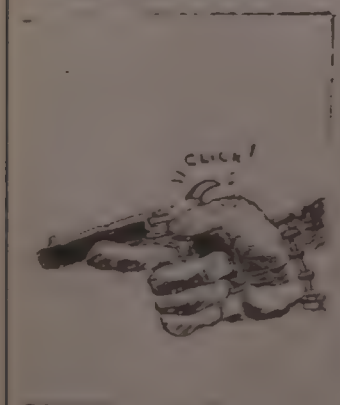
Despite his pleas, backup doesn't come- mainly because amidst the panic, Jack turns off his receiver accidentally...



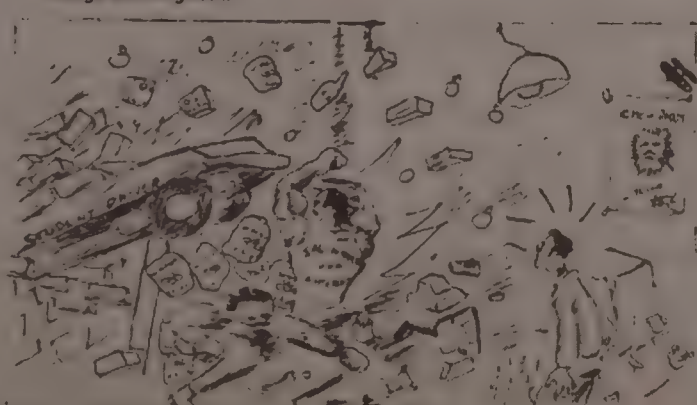
The Gunfire subsides, and a loud silence is only broken by the sound of approaching footsteps through charred glass...



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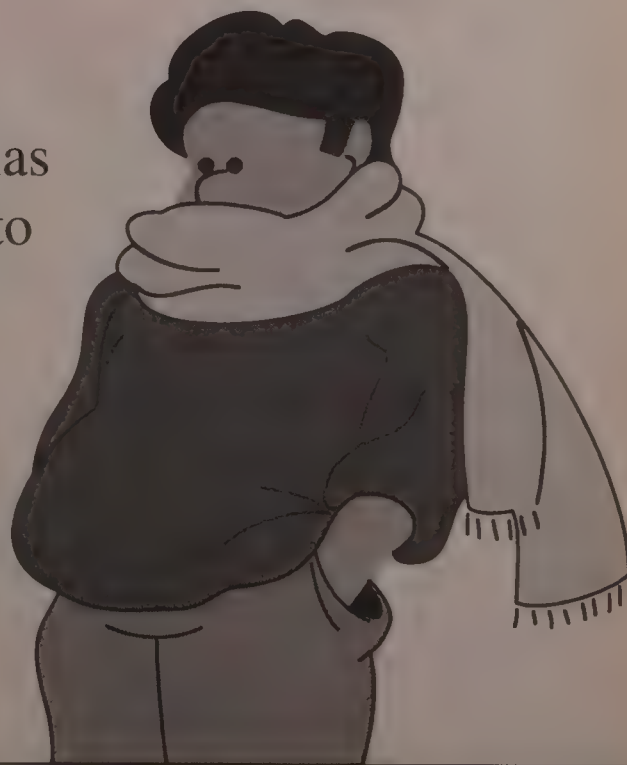
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SPORTS

Worcester State Beats Out Mass Maritime Academy in Close Game

by David Spencer
Editor-in-Chief

Worcester State won a close game last Saturday afternoon, as the visiting Mass Maritime football team came to take away a perfect record from our boys in blue.

Over 1,300 fans watched the spectacle of what may have been the Lancers' toughest game this season.

Worcester start off the scoring with a touchdown from Todd Dasowski nine minutes into the game. Jose Ribiero's kick made the score 7-0.

Mass Maritime did not let this go, and were able to score a safety on Dasowski early in the next quarter.

Worcester State drove the ball again, for another six points on a six yard pass from QB Jeff Caputo to Ron Palumbo.

Mass Maritime was able to get fired up enough to cause a fumble and return it for a touchdown, to end the half with the score 13-8 Worcester.

Worcester knew going in that this would be a tough game, and so drove the ball for another touchdown early in the third. With

the score 19-8, Dasowski kicked the ball for the extra point, making the game 20-8.

Mass Maritime would not give up the ghost so easily, however, and drove the ball for their first offensive score of the game when Deron JHozokos brought the ball in from the 2-yard line. The extra point was no good, so the score stood 20-15.

Not willing to rest on their laurels, the Lancers scored one more time in spectacular fashion. Caputo launched the ball for a 91-yard touchdown to Bryan Keats. The lancer's could not convert the extra point, letting the game end at 26-15.

The Lancers will play for the ECAC Northeast Championship on Saturday, at noon, at the WPI field.



Photo by Marcy Lambiras

Marlborough Shamrocks Set to Play in Fourth USFA/MLFA Title Bowl

by David Spencer
Shams Fan #1

The Marlborough Shamrocks will play for the USFA/MLFA title game on Saturday, November 30th, at Kelleher Field.

The Shamrocks compiled a record of 10-0 over the regular season with wins over perennial antagonists such as the Mitchell Club Cobras.

Opponents in the Eastern Football League Playoffs posed no threat for the offensive and defensive power of the Shamrocks. The Shamrocks won their sixth straight EFL title 31-10 over League newcomers, the Granite State Warriors.

Under USFA/MLFA regulations a team's official record consists of all games played by that team in that year including playoff and exhibition games. Thusly, the Shams entered the USFA/MLFA playoffs at 13-0.

Marlborough bested their first opponent handily, but barely pulled out a win in the eastern divisional final, which was played against the Granite State Warriors.

For information on game time or directions, you can call the Prospector East Saloon in Marlborough at (508) 485-9072.

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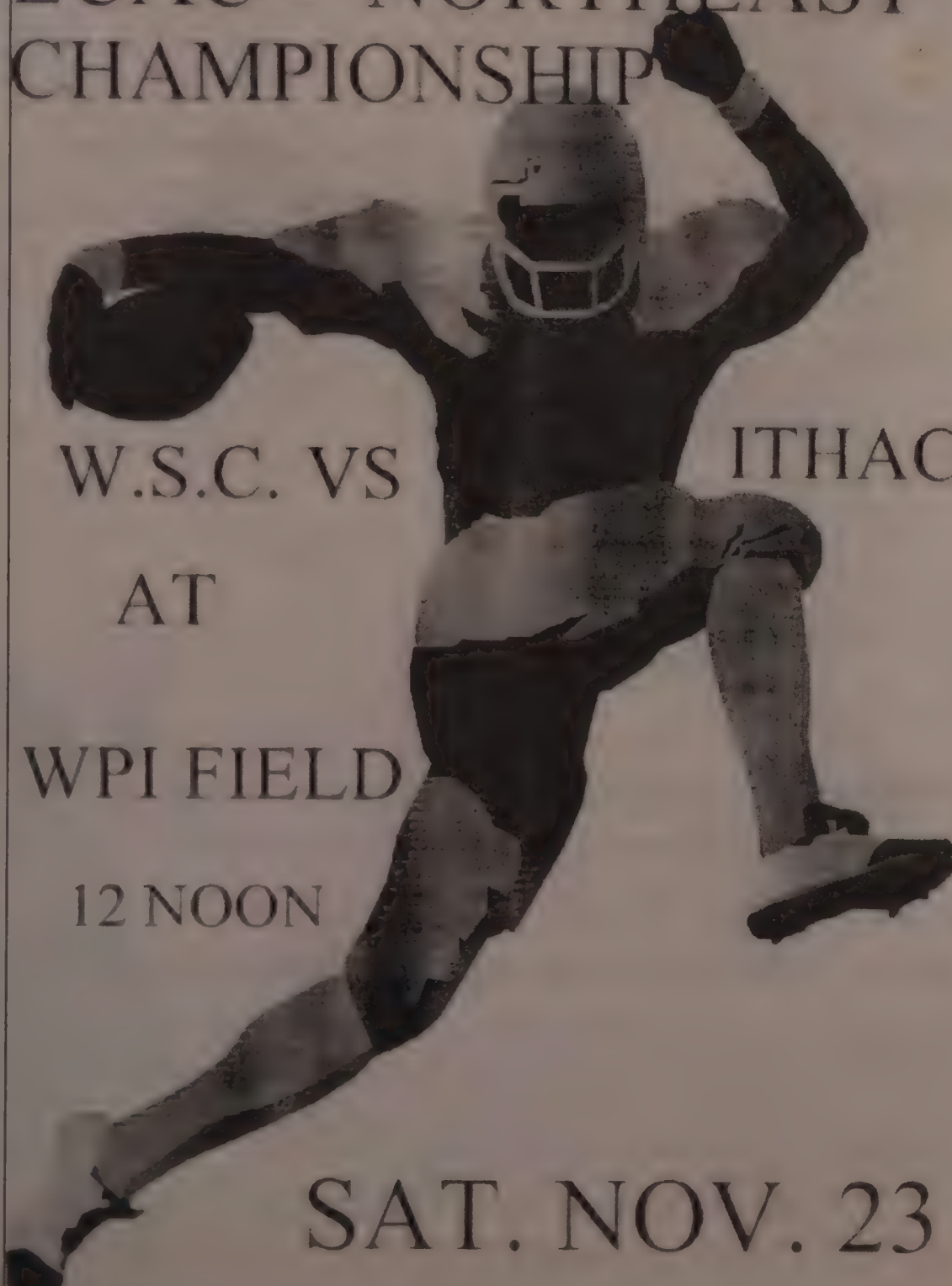
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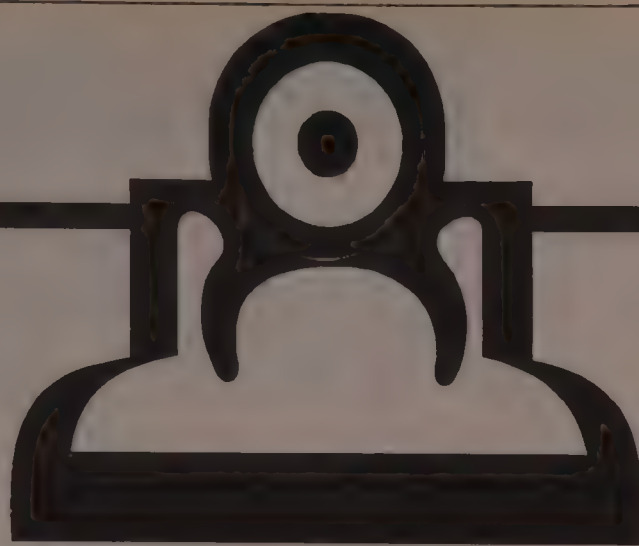




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Thursday, Dec. 5

- Hanukkah begins at sunset today
- Campus Ambassadors Pasta Supper at 6pm in the Campus Ministry House
- WSCW Concert
- Last Nite of OLP
- Women's Basketball vs. Emmanuel at 7pm

Saturday, Dec. 7

- Ice Hockey vs. Curry at 8:00

Sunday, Dec. 8

- Immaculate Conception (Italy, Portugal, and Spain)
- Christmas Mass at 7pm

Tuesday, Dec. 10

- Women's Basketball vs. Eastern Connecticut at 6:00
- Men's Basketball vs. Eastern Connecticut at 8:00

Wednesday, Dec. 11

- Classes end

Thursday, Dec. 12

- Hanukkah ends at sunset

Friday, Dec. 13

- Exams Begin
- MWF 8:30 exam at 8:30
- MWF 12:30 exam at 12:30

Saturday, Dec. 14

- Women's Basketball vs. Roger Williams at 2:00
- Men's Basketball vs. Roger Williams at 4:00

Monday, Dec. 16

- MWF 9:30 exam at 8:30
- MWF 1:30 exam at 12:30

Tuesday, Dec. 17

- TR 8:30 exam at 8:30
- TR 11:30 exam at 12:30

Wednesday, Dec. 18

- MWF 10:30 exam at 8:30
- MWF 2:30 exam at 12:30
- Jeff Gonyea's Birthday (send presents care of WSC Student Voice)

Thursday, Dec. 19

- TR 10:00 exam at 8:30
- TR 1:00 exam at 12:30

Only 4 class days till the beginning of exams

Only 20 shopping days 'til X-mas!!!!

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AIDS

...Is It Worth the Risk?

Ziad Al-Azem
Editor-in-Chief

Born in Boston, a man, who shall remain nameless, died of AIDS a few years ago. I spoke to his sister at around 11:30 in the Blue Lounge in the Student Center. During our talk, she showed me the panel that she had made. She explained what every detail meant on the panel...and I found it amazing to think how much of her actually came out in this panel. She explained about the scene from a Los Angeles beach that she had sown onto the bottom right corner. Two empty cots sat side by side on a secluded beach. Above them, an umbrella with an AIDS ribbon hanging from it. Underneath, is a set of footprint from where he used to stand.

AIDS has been the biggest tragedy of the twentieth century. HIV (Human Immunodeficiency Virus) causes AIDS. HIV destroys the immune system. Due to this, infections that usually are harmless to HIV-people can be fatal to some one who is HIV+. The astonishing thing about AIDS is the ignorance that surrounds it. No...it is not possible to get AIDS through casual contact. The only ways to get AIDS are:

- *through vaginal, anal, or oral intercourse with someone who has the virus
- *through the sharing of needles or syringes

*through blood transfusions or blood products

*by getting blood, sperm, or vaginal secretions in your body from an infected partner

*by receiving organ transplants from someone who had the virus

*artificial insemination

*getting cut or punctured with an instrument that is contaminated with the virus

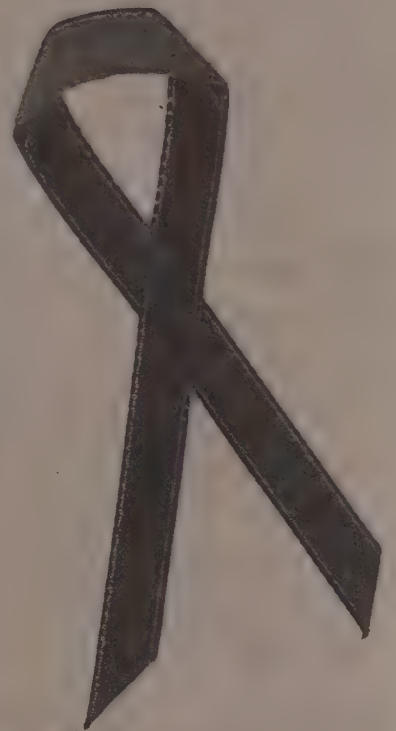
*women can transfer the virus to her fetus during pregnancy or birth, or during breastfeeding

I hate to sound condescending, but some one has to paint the picture...as ugly as it may be. Ignorance is unforgivable...especially in matters like this. I spent a couple of hours talking to people down at the Names Project. Some of the stories that I heard were stories that I know I will never forget for the rest of my life. A little boy, at a panel showing in Boston, jumped onto a panel, and then sat on it. The general rule is that on one is not allowed to touch the panel unless it is you very own. The boy was asked to move and he did...just in time for his aunt to come over and explain that the particular panel he was sitting on belong to his mother. The boy, at this

point, cried uncontrollably for about an hour. And what about the panel that belongs to a member of the clergy? Or what about the panel that reads "to the first openly gay Police officer in Boston... What about the hundreds of people around the world that die every day from AIDS?

Cleve Jones and Mike Smith started the AIDS Quilt...but its popularity didn't soar until 1987...when 2,000 panels decorated the lawn in front of the Capital building. Today, more than 45,000 different panels from all around the world come together to form the quilt, making it weigh an incredible 42 tons. The entire quilt is now large enough to cover 21 football fields. The quilt raises awareness, and it shows people the faces behind the names. People sometimes think: "Oh, that could never be me." Well, I'm here to tell you this: Yes. It could be you. Or me. Or even the boy or girl next door. Anyone can get HIV/AIDS. It doesn't matter if you are young or old. Gay, Bisexual, or Straight. Male or female. Unsafe sex, even once, can mean that you are infected.

Is it worth the risk?



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*Biting or Deep Kissing With Bruising

*Oral Sex on a Man Without a Condom

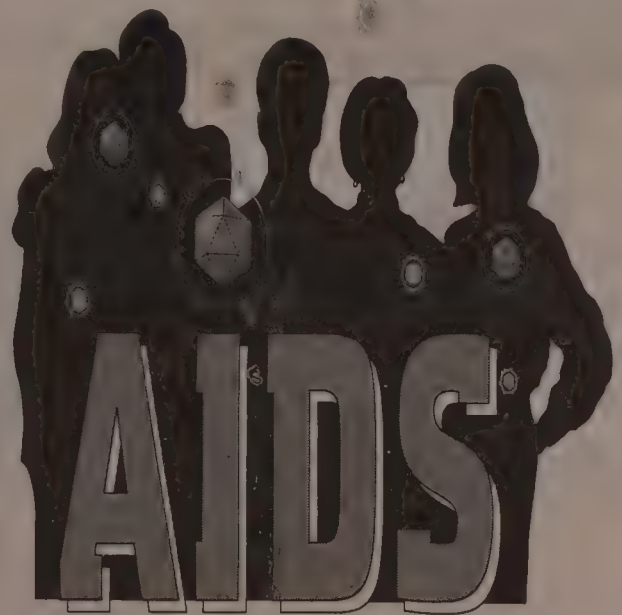
*Oral Sex On a Woman Without a Dental Dam, Plastic Wrap, or Cut-Open Condom

(Try not to get: Sperm in the mouth; sperm on broken skin; vaginal secretions or menstrual flow on broken skin.)

RISKIEST SEX

*Vaginal Intercourse without a Condom

*Anal Intercourse without a Condom



This is one of the many heart breaking stories that I was told when I was looking at the panel from the AIDS Quilt:

There was a little boy who was looking at one of the panel at a showing in Boston. The boy stopped at one of the quilt panels and jumped onto it. The lady that told me the story then said that she went over to him and asked him to get off the quilt. The boy did as he was told, and then, once he got to the side of the quilt, he just glanced down and he started to cry. His aunt then came and explained that the panel he was on was made for his mother. The boy cried uncontrollably for over 45 minutes. AIDS is not a joke...

AIDS KILLS



oids stop the distortion

Opinion/Editorial

Letters to the Editor



MassPirg: Homeless Rebuttal

Dear Editor,

One of the challenges with activism is that sometimes people misunderstand the efforts of committed people and volunteers who have agreed to "stick their necks out." On Wednesday Oct. 23, MASSPIRG sponsored a "Sleepout for the Homeless." The purpose of the sleepout was to raise awareness about homeless problems here in Worcester, and to raise money for a local shelter. The event was canceled because of rain.

Although some who came to the sleepout saw their role in one way, that being "we want to find out what it is like to be homeless." Mr. Migel Cruz is right in saying that "the attempt to understand homeless people" is insulting. Fortunately, that is not why we were out there. Our main purpose was to raise money for a shelter, which we did, and raise awareness. So, in that sense, we are not just "demonstrating" as Mr. Cruz puts it, but we are putting our money where our

mouth is.

Next semester we are planning to continue working on hunger and homeless issues. I invite Mr. Cruz to join our efforts. The reason is that Mr. Cruz is clearly a person able to communicate the problems of homeless. This, I know, would motivate many students to get involved.

I hope never to know what it is like to be homeless. I hope nobody does. Unfortunately, as many as 1 in 5 children are homeless a night here in America. That is why we need to not only help shelters stay open, but ask our legislators, civic leaders, and our community to improve the society's standard of living so that people do not have to sleep without a home, so that children do not go hungry at night, and we no longer have to raise money for shelters. Society should take care of its own.

Ajayi Harris
MASSPIRG

The point that Migel tried to make in his letter, I believe, was that you cannot try to raise awareness of an issue, then cancel the event. It sends a message that the problem does not exist, or that it is not important.

Why Can't They Set Hours For the Gym?

To the Editor.

There are some inconsistencies in the area of the policy as far as this school is concerned. Although most are relatively insignificant, there is one that can't go without notice. Most of the facilities available for student use have a set schedule and at least 24 hours notice is to be given if a change in the schedule is going to occur. The only exception is the gym. There is no schedule posted outside the entrance to the gym which indicates the time slots when it is reserved for use by the varsity sports teams or other organizations, nor is any notice given when there is a change in practice times for varsity sports. For example, the practices for the basketball teams usually start at 3pm. Last Friday, however, practice started promptly at 2pm and all students using the gym at that time were asked to leave.

Although I am not against varsity sports or their right to hold practices, I am against an athletic department that has no common courtesy towards students who use the gym for the purposes other than varsity sports. Considering that the overwhelming majority of students that pay activity fees to use the gym do not participate in varsity sports, it is only fair to let them know when they can use it and at least 24 hours notice when a change in those hours will be made.

Sincerely,
Robert Reno

This letter was also signed by: Prof. Tim Hagopian, David Marcucci, Christine Ventulett, Heather Kingsbury, and a host of others whose names could not be read.

The Soapbox

Many of us will often say "I have to" do this, or "I have to" do that. We make it sound as if we are powerless to prevent or change our roles in society.

This is quite untrue. The phrase "you are what you eat" comes to mind. We are fully affected by the choices we make. These choices dictate the outcomes of our lives and lead to the "have to" situation.

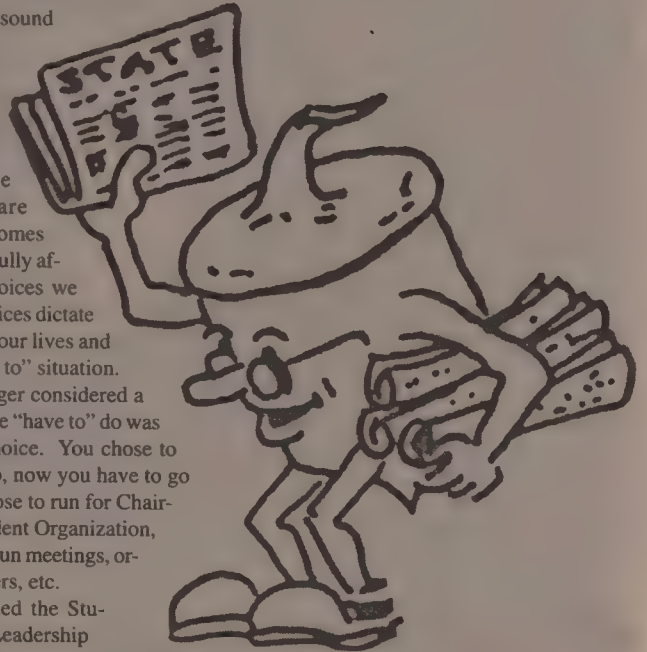
Even if no longer considered a choice, All that we "have to" do was at one point a choice. You chose to apply for that job, now you have to go to work. You chose to run for Chairperson of an Student Organization, now you have to run meetings, organize fund-raisers, etc.

When I attended the Student Activities Leadership Workshop last October, one of the sessions included a session on our choice of words (not meant as a pun). We were told to substitute the word "choose" for the word "have."

What this does, in a nutshell, is to empower the speaker. Now the given action is seen as an optional one, rather than a fated one.

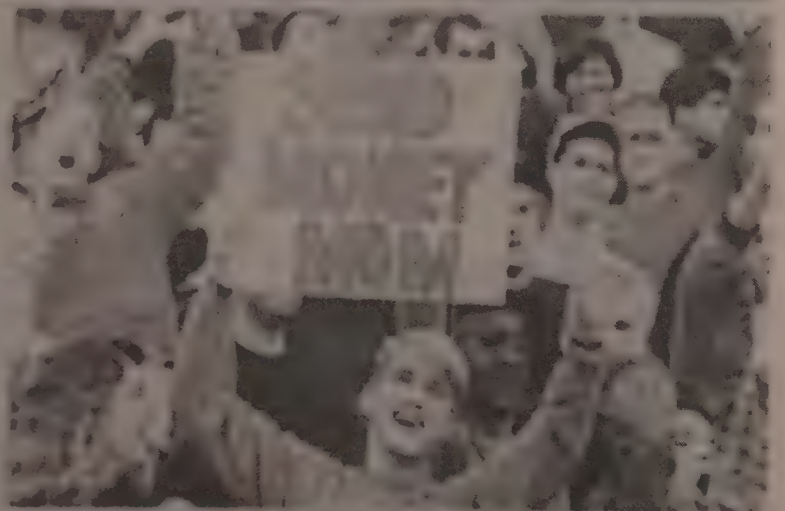
The final point is this: whatever the situation, we always have a choice.

David Spencer
Editor-in-Chief



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by Christopher M. Smith
Voice Staff

During my collegial academic career, which dates back to February 1991, I have looked forward to graduation. I graduated from Sunapee Jr./Sr. High School in 1987 and I received my Associate Degree in Human Services from Quinsigamond Community College in 1994. Now I am a Senior in the Sociology program here at Worcester State College. May 17, 1997 is the date of the spring graduation ceremony and it seems like a long way away. However, I know that with each passing day I am that much closer to attaining one of the most significant goals of my life. I am filled with emotion, but it seems a little premature just yet. There is still much work to be done over the remaining months. People who have already been through this experience tell me to make the most of it and enjoy it while it is here. Stopping and smelling the roses can be tricky sometimes because things get in the way. I recently had the opportunity to get a whiff of the roses and a glimpse of what looks to be a promising future.

On Thursday, November 21, 1996 I participated in the Senior Capping Ceremony with much of the class of 1997. The evening began with about 135 students, faculty and staff enjoying a meal together in the Blue Lounge in the Student Center. I was fortunate to be accompanied by four very nice friends. This was important to me because I like to share the significant events in my life with people that I have mutual respect and good connections with. We were a small group within a group and it made the evening all that much more special. After dinner, we all went over to the Sullivan

Building. We donned our robes and we got in rows and we joked and we smiled. In an orderly fashion we proceeded into the Auditorium and we sat side by side and listened to the people on the stage. Paul M. Joseph, Dean of Student Development opened and closed the ceremony. Rev. Timothy Brewer gave the invocation and the benediction. Ronald H. Chand, Vice Chair, WSC Board of Trustees and President and CEO of Chand Associates, Inc. greeted us. He was joined by Professor Frank S. Minasian, Vice President, WSC Chapter, Mass. State College Association, MTA/NEA and Lisa Rudin, Class of 1986 and the President of the WSC Alumni Advisory Board. Lisa passed the keys to the four Class Presidents: Kim McFarland '97, Natalie Flynn '98, Karen Rivera '99 and Bridgette Thomas '00. Dr. Kalyan K. Ghosh, President of WSC, gave capping remarks and Edna Spencer, Director of Diversity, gave an outstanding speech. Laura Brunelle did the recognition of Who's Who and the comical Prof. Donald Traub, Philosophy Dept., facilitated the tradition of capping. There were other people who played a role in this event and I would like to thank them. This was a very inspirational experience and I personally needed something like this around this time. It feels good to be part of something like all of this. It's not all glitz and glory, but what is? It has been my experience that I get out of things what I put into them, or somewhere thereabouts. We all came together and had a good time and preserved a long standing tradition of prosperity and solidarity in education and in life. So, this is what it is like to be a Senior in college. Cool!!!

1996 Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities

Aun, Elke
Baril, Joann
Beirsto, Jayne
Bouchard, Kenneth
Caporale, Deborah
Clear, Patrice
Courtney, Paula
DeCesare, Mary
Dieckman, Karen
Dow, Paula
Ferriero, Rachelle
Froelich, Deborah
Gauthier, Peter
Gniadek, Karen
Granlund, Marie
Grant, Kathleen
Green, Mary
Grivalski, MaryAnn
Gross, Sharon
Guertin, David
Harthan-LaRoche, Nancy
Jacobs, Bernard
Johnson, Lenore
Kearnan, Susan
Kreyszig, Sally
Langan, Jayne
Lavalle, Joanne
Lavoie, Sally
Lister, Katherine
Maleckas, Judy

Marcucci, David
Martin, Joshua
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McDermott, James
McFarland, Kim
Melcher, Kerri
Millette, Glorie-Ann
Murdock, Nancy
Mwangi, Moses
Myers, Jenna
Nanigian, Lynn-Ann
Njoroge, Irene
Parenteau, Jeremy
Petruzzi, Christina
Pierce, Patricia
Powell, Jilian
Renaud-Elia, Joyce
Roach, Michelle
Ryan, Kevin
Sakaloglou, Gail
Spellane, Brad
Sullivan, Ginger
Swartz, Dorothy
Tetreault, Jennifer
Thomas, Attniel
Tokarz, Tara
Trifone, Moreen
Wilkinson, Marcia
Young, Robert
Yousef, Roula
Zangri, Wendy

Catholic Campus Ministry Information Section

The Christmas Tree

Christmas is about giving. Unfortunately, so much of what we do during this season is out of obligation. THE GIVING TREE is an opportunity to share with those who are truly in need and can only repay with their thanks.

On the tree will be tags with the name, age and size of a child in need. You are invited to take a tag and buy a gift for the child. Gifts may be brought to our Christmas Mass on December 8th. If you are unable to attend Mass, gifts may be brought to the Campus Ministry House prior to December 13th. Let's make this Christmas truly a season of giving.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS JEN BROWN'S FATHER who passed away last week.

Christmas Mass

YOU ARE INVITED TO THE WSC CHRISTMAS MASS ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 1996 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE BLUE LOUNGE. Come celebrate Christmas with the WSC Community. Whether you are a student, a faculty member, or staff. COME AND BRING A FRIEND. Refreshments will follow the Mass.

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

Y.A.N.A. (You Are Not Alone) Grief Support Program will hold its 4th Annual Holiday Memorial Tree Lighting Ceremony and Support Social on Wednesday, Dec. 11, 1996, in the Y.A.N.A. library at Kelly Funeral Home, 154 Lincoln St., Worcester. Tree decorating will begin at 7 p.m. followed

by the lighting ceremony at 7:30 p.m. The public is invited to bring ornaments in memory of deceased loved ones to decorate the tree. Refreshments will be served. The program is all free. ALL ARE WELCOME. For information, call Jim Kelly at 755-4507.

MASSPIRG:

Students, Community get on the BUS-T

Worcester State College's MASS Student PIRG and Newman Association and Clark University's MASS Student PIRG students teamed up to deliver food and clothing to the Sigourney House and Dismas House, with the help of a donated WRTA van. Both Sigourney House and Dismas House are shelters that help the needy. "Hunger BUS-T" events took place all over the Commonwealth.

"With over 20,000 people homeless in Massachusetts, this is the least we could do pointed out Andrea a student at WSC and Vice President of the Newman Association. "Here in Worcester, and around the country, it is increasingly difficult for those in need to obtain basic necessities for themselves and for their families."

Gina Tortorelli, a representative from the Sigourney House, a shelter for families in recovery, stated "organizations that come

like this help us tremendously." The WRTA Hunger Bus-T delivered 350 pounds of clothing and 150 pounds of food. State wide, over two tons of clothing and two and a half tons of food were collected for agencies in need.

Joe Sacco, legislative aide for State Senator Bernstien, remarked "the Senator actively supports student efforts like this. We encourage more student involvement in the community." Sacco also assisted the students in unloading the bus.

MASS Student PIRG, is a student-directed volunteer organization, and has twenty three chapters state-wide working on environmental and hunger and homeless issues. Newman Association is a religious community service student organization.

For extra information contact Ajayi Harris at 754-1292

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Arts & Entertainment

Dining Out the College Way With *Trish*, Roula and Our Guest, Roxana.

*Leo's
Ristorante*

This week we figured we would do lunch the Italian way and so when a friend recommended Leo's Ristorante we decided to give it a try. I invited a friend to come with us.

Leo's Ristorante off of Shewsbury street, on 11 Brackett Court, has one of the nicest atmospheres I've ever encountered. The fireplace in the corner, the dim lights and comfortably spaced tables come together to form a warm ambiance. This is the perfect setting for a romantic date or for a family dinner. The fireplace is beautiful and I could picture a Christmas tree there, which I'm told by a patron they usually have one.

Prices are low to moderate depending on what you decide to eat. Specials of the day are for \$4.95. Appetizers are anywhere from \$3.95-\$5.95 and there is a variety to chose from including Provolone Cheese, Clams Casino, and Mushrooms Stuffed with Sausage. Soups and salads are available as well as pasta specials for \$7.95 to \$11.95. Among the pastas are Pasta Primavera Scampi, Linguine Sicilian Style, and Chicken Genovese. They also have seafood dishes (\$9.95 to \$13.95). Dishes with seafood are Shrimp Marinara, Tuna Con Tuna, and Scallop Fettucini. For a more exotic plate you might want to try fried squid with squid sauce over Linguini. Homemade pasta, chicken, and veal plates are also available in several

varieties. You can even have a meatball sandwich or a salami club. For those who want to bring young kids, there are plates especially for children. The menu is very extensive and of course I saved the best for last, the Italian Specialties priced from \$6.50-\$12.95. What would an Italian restaurant be without the Manicotti, Ravioli, Lasagna, and Spaghetti? Like I said they had specials of the day and that's what we had.

Unfortunately, due to personal business, I wasn't able to enjoy the whole experience. I ordered a chicken salad, a cup of coffee and left the restaurant to take care of business.

I had the Lasagna plate with a salad. The salad was delicious. The iceberg lettuce was cut to bite size. The dressing was distinctly Italian with a hint of a spice which Roxana and I couldn't put our finger on, but it was superb. They even sell their house

dressing (this beats harassing the waitress for the dressing ingredients as I did at Coes Cafe). The lasagna tasted good but because it's been a while since we lunched there (Nov.13), I can't remember if there was meat in it or not.

Trish assures me there must have been. I suppose the meat could have been ground very well otherwise they would have called it a vegetarian plate. In general my plate was good. Roxana had the Fettucini. She liked it, except for the ham in it. They should have mentioned it included ham. She agreed with us about the atmosphere being romantic and so she will bring her husband the next time she dines there.

I returned approximately an hour later. Lunch had already been served and a kind waitress asked if I would like my coffee warmed. The chicken was a little dry but maybe having left for an hour had some effect on the

quality of the food. The salad was still crispy and the dressing was pleasant. Having spent a total of minutes in the restaurant does not qualify me for this review. So I left the critiquing to Roula and Roxana.

As Trish said she had to run an important errand in the area and so she missed out on the whole experience but nonetheless we all enjoyed our long lunch.

Yes, all together, I had a good time. Thank you Leo!...

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Τηε Χομιχ Στριπ

By Dave Spencer
Who Knows the Earth to Be
Banana-Shaped

The Question returns to
Hub City and DC Comics.
The Question Returns ships
later this month.

OUT THIS WEEK:

Dark Horse Comics
This is a list of books
scheduled to be in stores
this week from Dark Horse
Comics.

Barry Windsor-Smith:
Storyteller #3-\$4.95, This
book follows three entirely
different characters in
their respective worlds.

Cud Comics #6-\$2.95, Eno
and Plum are back to en-
lighten, outrage and enter-
tain you.

Edgar Rice Burroughs'
Tarzan#6-\$2.95, Jane is dy-
ing and only Tarzan (or
rather his blood) can save
her.

The Legend of Mother Sa-
rah: City of Angels #3-
\$3.95, Are they on a mis-
sion of mercy or pawns in a
madwoman's scheme.

Predator: Kindred #1-
\$2.50, Four kindred spirits
enter the woods outside of
Fleener Creek, Oregon. A
sheriff, a serial killer,
Buddy Wilcox, and a Preda-
tor, the self-same Predator
who killed Buddy's dad in
front of him 30 years ear-
lier.

The Real Adventures of
Jonny Quest #4-\$2.95,
Jonny and the Quest crew
catch up with Janos.

The Warrior of Waverly
Street #2-\$2.95, The battle
escalates on Trelkas.

DC Comics

This is a list of books
scheduled to be in stores
this week from DC Comics.

Batman/Deadman-\$24.95,
The two heroes try to clear

Batman's name after he is
framed for a series of bru-
tal crimes, and they also
must save a crook who may
be humanity's savior from
the infernal forces of dark-
ness.

Batman: Gordon's Law
#3-\$1.95, Gordon is
trapped in a sewer full of
gas.

Batman Plus #1-\$2.95,
Batman and Arsenal try to
take down the KGBeast,
who's kidnapped the mother
of Arsenal's daughter.

Batman: Shadow of the
Bat #59-\$1.95, Someone's
targeting Gotham's cos-
tumed criminals.

The Book of Fate #1-
\$2.25, Fate returns to keep
the cosmic balance.

Green Lantern #83-\$1.75,
GL is a hunted man!

JLA #2-\$1.95, The JLA
vs. the Hyperclan.

Nightwing #5-\$1.95,
Nightwing vs. Lady Vic.

Pinky and the Brain #8-
\$1.75, It's Mission
Impinkable!

The Power of Shazam #23-
\$1.75, Introducing Mr.
Atom!

Sovereign Seven #19-
\$1.95, Bolos stalks the
team.

Starman #27-\$2.25, The
O'Dares have an X-mas
party, but Jack gets de-
layed.

Steel #35-\$1.95, Steel
gets trapped in an
underground tunnel.

Superman Adventures #4-
\$1.75, Superman becoves
too heavy to move!

Superman: The Man of To-
morrow #7-\$1.95, Maxima
attacks Superman.

Superman: Whatever Hap-
pened to the Man of Tomor-
row Trade Paperback-
\$5.95, A reprinting of the
final pre-crisis Superman
Story.

Helix Comics

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scheduled to be in stores
this week from Helix Com-
ics.

Cyberella #6-\$2.50,
Cyberella tries to rally the
people of Slangeliego

Milestone Media

This is a list of books
scheduled to be in stores
this week from Milestone
Media.

Icon #42-\$2.50, Icon,
Static, and Hardware
vs. the Blood
Syndicate.

Vertigo

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Arts & Entertainment

Michelle Shocked Mercury Poise: 1988-1995

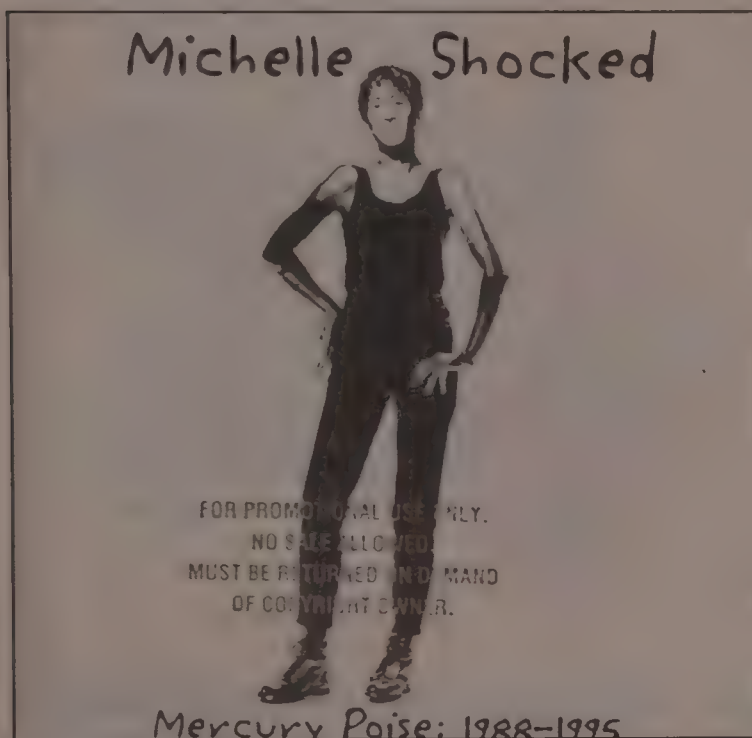
By Keith Vezeau
Staff Writer

Lets see ... How could I possibly describe this Music. The closest analogy I can come up with is... a shrill voiced Harry Connick Jr. gone country. Now that I think of it, Michelle Shocked isn't that far off from the likes of K.D. Lane. Now I don't want to insult any one's intelligence by thinking for them, but I wouldn't mind saving you some money and unnecessary hardship. PLEASE DON'T BUY THIS! Then again that is only

my opinion— just one person of the 6000 individuals at this school.

Slightly schizophrenic, this CD seems to move out west as the songs roll on. A jazzy beginning gives way to folk which eventually leads in to country. Can't Michelle make up her mind?

For those of you who dare to be different, you might chose to accept this CD as simply "diverse"--- An abstract expression of one too many personalities trapped in the single body of an artist.



Safe And Sound

(A dedication to the memory of Shannon Lowney and Lee Ann Nichols)

By Keith Vezeau
Staff Writer

Shannon Lowney and Lee Ann Nichols were murdered. In Brookline Ma., on December 30, 1994, an individual attacked two women's health clinics, shooting seven individuals and taking the lives of Shannon Lowney and Lee Ann Nichols in the process.

"Safe And Sound" is an album composed of music by local artists (mostly from the Boston area) who wish to show their continued support for woman's issues. "Safe And Sound" was originally a series of shows covered by everyone from local artists to Billboard and MTV in order to raise proceeds for non-profit organizations supporting healthcare, safety, and educational services for women and children (which incidently were goals shared by the two women murdered as well as by their colleagues).

"Safe And Sound" exhibits the talents of a wide variety of male and female musicians who effectively address many of the difficult and controversial issues facing women today. The flavors of music are equally varied as well. On "safe and Sound", you have the privilage of experiencing everything from the light pop of The Mighty Mighty Bosstones to Tracy Bonham's bittersweet rhapsody of anger. Also of interest are Belly "Think About Your Troubles", Juliana Hatfield "Waves", Aimee Mann "Driving With one Hand on the Wheel", and of course lest we forget Tracy Bonham's "Navy Bean" (live).

Aside from a few obscure bands such as Morphine, Deluxx Folk Explosion, and the others that weren't worth remembering, this was a pretty decent CD. Seeing that I get to keep this CD just for reviewing it, it seems that my music budget will stay safe and sound as well.



Joan Osborne~ early recordings

By Keith Vezeau
Staff writer

This wasn't really what I expected from Joan Osborne but I was kind of neat anyway. This is certainly a far cry from the distinct sounds of "If God Was One of Us". (I'm not sue if that'show the title goes but you get the idea). Joan Osborne apparently began

her successful career as a blues singer in the clubs of New York City. Inside the CD cover Joan Osborne confesses her real musical influences. Etta James, Arethra Franklin, Tina Turner, and Al Green all have contributed to Joan Osborne's unique artistry. The Tina Turner factor is very apparent since their voices sound so suprisingly similar that it might be easy to mistake one for the other.

Almost all of the tracks were new to me so they took a while to really take in. The only song I did recognize was "Son of A Preacher Man" which I knew only from watching the movie Pulp Fiction about 75 times.

I don't really listen to

Joan Osborne on a regular basis so I'm not really sure how this stacks up to the rest of her material. If your really into Joan Osborne it might be a good Idea to buy this CD. If not, I wouldn't lose too much sleep over it.



All World

by Miguel Cruz
contributing staff
writer

Coming out of Queens, New York is LL Cool J and his newest addition to his already impressive collection of albums. "All World". The new release is a balanced mixture of old school flava' with new soulful hip-hop. We're brought back to the battle field with old school jams "I'm Bad" (From the Bigger and Deffer album), "I Can't Live Without My Radio" (Radio album), and "Rock the

Bells" (Radio album). Hearing these dinosaur lyrics get spilled over hard bass lines and synchronized scratching rejuvimated the old school links that I still have in my native city of New York. Cool J's "Loungin" remix is the best of the new with others like "Hey Lover" and "Doin' It" filling your cranium with soulful bliss and sexually raw lyrics.

LL is doin' it well with a good, but not great, selection of songs for the album. I personally think he could've picked better songs from his past albums, but they're not bad considering I'm not a Cool J fan. The album will appease all ladies and is only for the avid Cool J fan. Good idea, but it falls short of my expectations.

Arts & Entertainment

LOVE OF THE NIGHTINGALE

By Mike Cocozella
Voice Staff

On November 21, 22, 23, and 24, the Worcester State College Department of Visual and Performing Arts brought us *The Love Of The Nightingale*, a mythical play by Timberlake Wertenbaker. It was directed by Worcester States' own Dr. Ann-Marie Shea.

The *Love Of the Nightingale* is a very deep play. It is about deceit, rape, and forced silence. Tereus (Ziad-Al-Azem) is an army general who is led down a wretched path of rape and villainy. He is wed to King Pandion's (Richard Preston) daughter, Procne, (Ramona Puchalski), but he truly loves Procne's sister Philomele (Michelle Buonopane). Procne and Philomele share a very close, loving relationship. Tereus uses all sorts of deceitfully treacherous tricks to lure Philomele into his grasp, which he never succeeds in doing.

After the wedding, Tereus and his new bride move overseas. Some time later, Procne wants Philomele to visit her. Philomele is willing to go any length to visit her beloved sister, and Tereus steps in to escort her by boat to whatever the name of the land is where he and his bride lived. On this fateful trip Tereus shows us all what a deceitful heel he really is. He is absolutely burning for Philomele, and he employs the follow-

much that she wants to see her body. Tereus tells her there was nothing left of it. Tereus rapes Philomele after she tells him that she does not love him. A day or so later, an already boiling Philomele discovers that her sister is not dead, and she totally blows up on Tereus, telling him she will tell the world of his sins. Tereus responds to her threats by cutting off her tongue, silencing her forever. Five years later, Philomele uses a performance of hand-crafted puppets to communicate visual testimony of the crimes. Procne, who was told by Tereus that Philomele had drowned on the boat trip, is reunited with her sister when she witnesses and understands her use of the puppets. The two sisters team up to take revenge on Tereus. It is Philomele who takes retribution. She kills Tereus's only son, by Procne.

I could not find much wrong with this play. The plot was very deep and the play sent out a powerful message about man and his aggressiveness towards women, which horribly can very often lead to rape. This play points out the horrors of rape and should cause some of us to examine ourselves and try to figure out why the hell someone would want to humiliate and degenerate another human being in this way, the worst possible way. It strips a woman of security and self-respect, and if it happens to her, she will most likely never trust

men again. Rape is an ugly, horrible thing and the play did a good job of showing us that.

This play featured scintillating performances by Ramona Puchalski and Michelle Buonopane. They were so good I will venture to say that their performances gave the play it's life and breath. Michelle displayed an incredible range of emotions. She was simply electrifying and was perfectly cast. Ramona is very talented and gave us a great performance as the dignified, staid Procne. She too displayed the wide range of emotions necessary to put on the wonderful performance that she did. Ramona and Michelle made one want to keep watching. I was rather lukewarm to the rest of the casts' acting, maybe with the exception of Sally Earle as Niobe, a servant to Philomele. Richard Preston did not convince me as King Pandion. A king should be strong, bold, tough and leathery. Richard made a good effort, but he struck me as a little wishy-washy. I thought most of the other actors put on lazy, uninspiring performances. Ziad Al-Azem did not seem credible as Tereus. Tereus is supposed to be an absolutely horrible man, one with absolutely no soul whatsoever. Throughout the entire play, Ziad made Tereus seem reluctant and apologetic about his actions. I know Ziad and he is a very nice guy, so maybe that was his prob-

lem.

The directing was fine. Dr. Ann Marie Shea did a fine job of orchestrating all the characters' actions on stage, which could have been a little difficult because of the two huge, intersecting ramps on the stage. My impression was that everyone of the plays' multitudinous cast members' actions flowed very smoothly, not a hair seemed out of place. In summary, Professor Shea's directing covered up a few mediocre acting performances.

I was comfortable with the play's costumes. All but one seemed "classically mythical." I was a little confused by Philomele's garb. Michelle Buonopane wore denim shorts and a striped short-sleeved shirt. Her outfit seemed largely anachronistic for a mythical play, especially when no one else wore similarly informal garb. This play, however, is touted as a play for our times, so perhaps Michelle's costume attempted to establish the confluence between our times and mythical times.

All in all, I was very satisfied with the play. It bore a powerful, crucial message, and featured the fine talents of Puchalski and Buonopane. The play was an hour and a half well spent.

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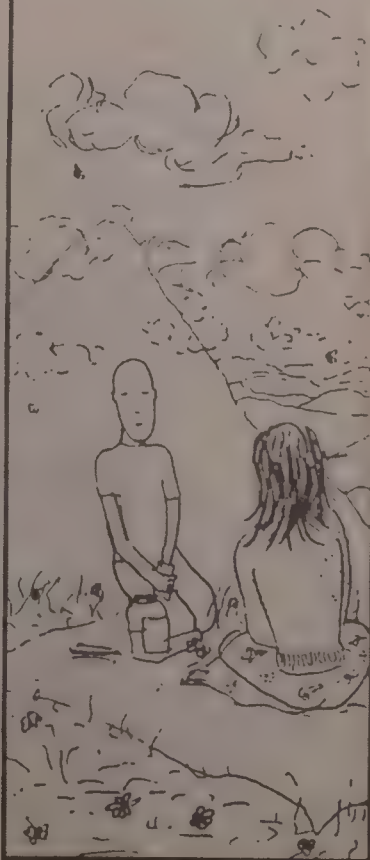
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Tony Kenny, the star of Ireland's longest running cabaret show, Jurys Cabaret in Dublin, will bring "Come Home to Ireland," a musical variety concert featuring the finest in Irish music, comedy, and dance, to the Herbert Auditorium at Quinsigamond Community College, Saturday, December 14th, with an 8:00 p.m. performance. Tony will be joined by several featured entertainers from Dublin's highly acclaimed Jurys Cabaret, which in the autumn of 1995 played to a combined audience of 75,000, in fifty-five concerts across North America. In this special performance, Tony Kenny's rich ballad voice paints a warm picture of this festive holiday celebration with renditions of traditional Yuletide favorites combined with classic Christmas songs from his native Ireland.

Tony Kenny, the star of Jurys Cabaret for fourteen years, got his start in musical theatre, with award-winning leading roles in *Jesus Christ Superstar* and *The Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* to his credit. One of Ireland's most sought after entertainers, Kenny has made countless television appearances and hosted his own popular television series, "Make Mine Music" on the Irish national television network. He has also released nine best-selling records of contemporary and traditional Irish music in Ireland and the United States. Kenny's recording of "Danny Boy" has earned him a Gold Disc.

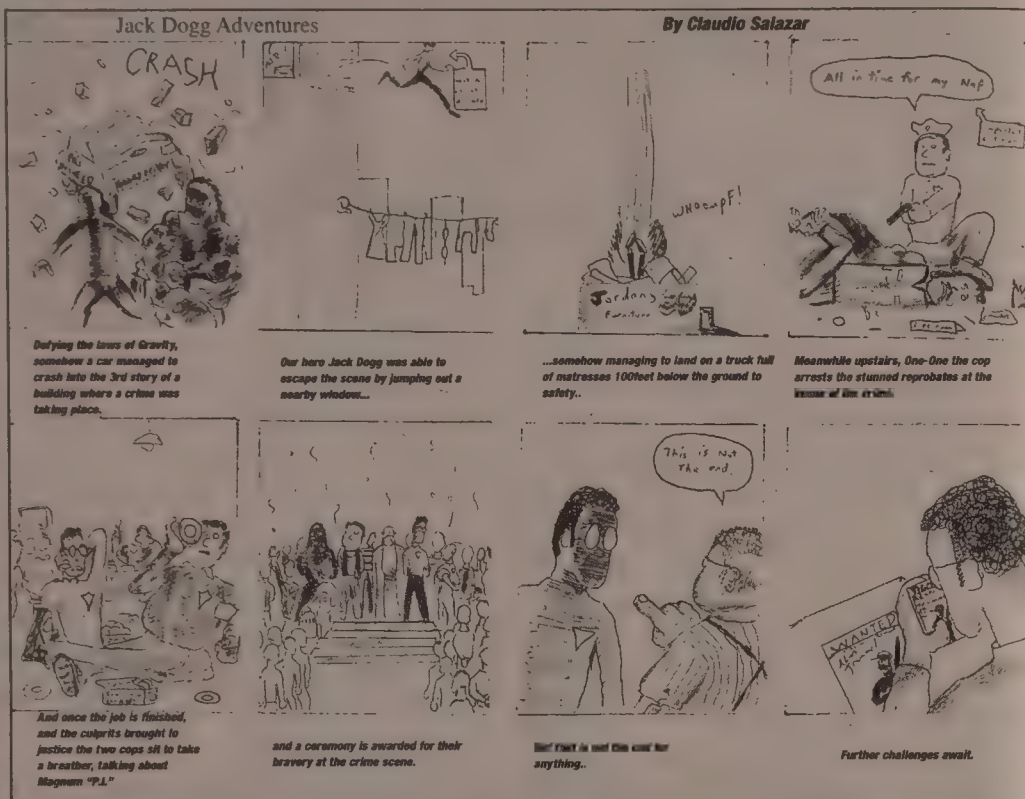
Joining Tony Kenny is Noel V. Ginnity, the star of Doyle's Irish Cabaret. Noel is one of Ireland's premiere funny men, and has

traveled the globe, spreading his own unique brand of Irish humor. Dermot O'Brien, the master musician and renowned balladeer from County Louth will delight the audience with his versatility and talent. Soprano Clara Armstrong of Dublin adds beauty and grace through her performance of Ireland's best-loved traditional and contemporary songs. Seven time World Champion Step Dancer Feargal Purcell will provide electrifying Irish dance performances, including selections from the highly acclaimed "Riverdance." Feargal will be joined by Championship Stepdancers from the Haley School of Irish Dance, providing excitement and color with their athletic ability and grace, resplendent in their traditional costumes, which

are based on centuries-old designs. Accompanying these versatile performers is one of Ireland's finest musicians, Jurys associate musical director Seamus Brett.

Performance time for this concert is 8:00 p.m.. The concert will be preceded by a complimentary holiday reception, featuring

hot mulled cider and coffee. Tickets are \$21.00, reserved seating, and may be purchased by calling 508-747-7904 or 800-752-4263. Tickets are also available at the Irish Cottage Import Shop at 670 W. Boylston St. in Worcester



BENEFIT CONCERT SET TO ROCK WSC Too Far Gone, Bearfoot Republic To Play Tonight

by Havent A. Voice
Voice Staff

The Blue Lounge is the place to be tonight, as three of the city's strongest local bands are set to play the annual WSCW benefit concert. Electronic band Too Far Gone, as well as local favorites Bearfoot Republic and Amanda's Woodruff are scheduled to play for 7 p.m., and are sure to make for a wicked good show.

I have the pleasure of working with the lead singer of Too Far Gone, Gabriel Shaw, and recently got to discuss the band and its music with him. Having played many of the local band "hot spots" lately,

Too Far Gone is riding high on a lot of positive recognition. Their music can be de-

scribed as electronic/industrial, with such influences as Depeche Mode and Nine Inch Nails, and is gathering a serious following.

Be sure to check out next week's issue of the VOICE for the story on this seriously cool band, as well as a review of the show.



Meanwhile, remember that the Blue Lounge is the place to be tonight; two dollars and your student I.D. get you in for what I assure you will be the best show this semester. See you there...

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The World Premiere of an Intimate, Joyful Christmas Carol Merrimack Repertory Theatre

Lowell, MA- The most popular holiday of all time, A Christmas Carol by Charles Dickens, returns to the stage at Merrimack Repertory Theatre for 11 performances. In a new production, conceived by Producing Artistic Director David G. Kent and adapted for stage by David Zoffoli, Associate Director at MRT, the award-winning theatre brings a more intimate and more joyful version of this classic holiday ghost story to life. There will be only 11 public performances of a Christmas Carol beginning December 6th and running through December 22nd.

"It has been almost four years since Merrimack Repertory theatre last presented a production of a Christmas Carol," says Producing Artistic Director David G. Kent. "Many of the previous productions had become swallowed up in a flashy Victorian parade. Our desire this season is to restore the classic intent of this tale and present it in a framework similar to the way Dickens himself traveled the world telling this story."

By using a single actor and a very sophisticated combination of imagery, lights and sound, director David Zoffoli looks to create a production that brings to the stage more of the original story. "We have focused more on the telling of the story and discarded along the way, some of the trendier trappings that have begun to muddy the tale over the years," says Zoffoli. "I use myself as the barometer. If what we are doing can give me chills and make me laugh out loud again, then I know we are headed in the right direction. It's very exciting."

Zoffoli is no stranger to the Dickens classic having adapted and directed the story for North Shore Music Theatre and Merrimack Repertory Theatre in the past. As associate Director at Merrimack Rep. he directed last season's productions of *Light Up The Sky*, *The Search for Signs of Intelligent Life in the Universe* and co-directed *Hamlet*. In 1995 he directed MRT's world-premiere production of *All I Really Know I Learned in Kindergarten*. At North Shore Music Theatre he directed productions of *A Midsummer Night's Dream* and *Romeo and Juliet*. As an actor Mr. Zoffoli has appeared in a number of productions at MRT including *A Lion in Winter* and the world-premiere *Of Maggie's Riff*. Regionally he has appeared in Jon Lipsky's award-winning *Dreaming With an AIDS Patient* and has received citations for his performances in Peter Sellars' *MacBeth*, Bent, *The Singular Life of Albert Knobs*, *Wait Until Dark*, and Howard Barker's *No End of Blame*, *Not I* with Vanessa Redgrave.

Keith Jochim is the extraordinary actor who will bring to life the timeless story of Scrooge and Marley and Tint Tim. Mr. Jochim's Broadway credits include *Frankenstein* and *Heartland*. Regionally he has been seen in more than 30 plays at Trinity Repertory Company as well as numerous productions at the Guthrie Theatre, Cincinnati Playhouse, Studio Arena Theatre, Good Speed Opera House and California Shakespeare Festival. He appeared in the national tours of *The Music Man* with Jim Dale and Tony Randall, and *The Sound of Music* with Marie Osmond. Mr. Jochim's film and television credits include *The Witches of Eastwick*, *The Kennedy's* and the *Fitzgeralds*, *Miller's Court*, *Law and Order*, *All My Children*, *The Guiding Light*, and *Days of our lives*.

Rebecca Schade is the visual designer who

will create imagery, set and lights that make up the boundaries of the story. "Using projected images, lights and sound we can create an environment that gives a sense of the period, fluid motion and the magic of the story itself," says Schade. Ms. Schade's work as a visual designer has been included in such distinguished exhibits at the New York, Boston, and Houston Art Directors' Club; the One Show, New York; Graphis Annual, Zurich; and the U.S. Industrial Film Festival. She has been recognized through numerous awards including Best of Show at the International Multi-Image Festival. Her company French Curve Design has created works for clients such as Amnesty International, Polaroid, Marimekko Oy, Reebok, the Boston Museum of Fine Art, and the Boston Museum of Science, among others.

The Sound for this production is designed by Todd Shilhanek. Mr. Shilhanek has designed sound for a number of productions at Merrimack Repertory theatre including *Our Town*, *Talley's Folly*, *A Cambodian Odyssey*, *Amadeus*, and *God's Country*. He has also composed original music for MRT's

productions of *12th Night* and *Medea*. His other recent work has included compositions for computer multi-media presentations.

Costumes are designed by Frances Nelson McSherry, this season's resident costume designer at Merrimack Repertory Theatre where she designed last season's award-winning production of *All In The Timing*. Her work has been seen off-Broadway in *Curse of the Starving Glass*, and regionally at New Repertory Theatre, Opera Theatre of St. Louis, Glimmerglass Opera, LaMama, and The American Music Theatre Festival.

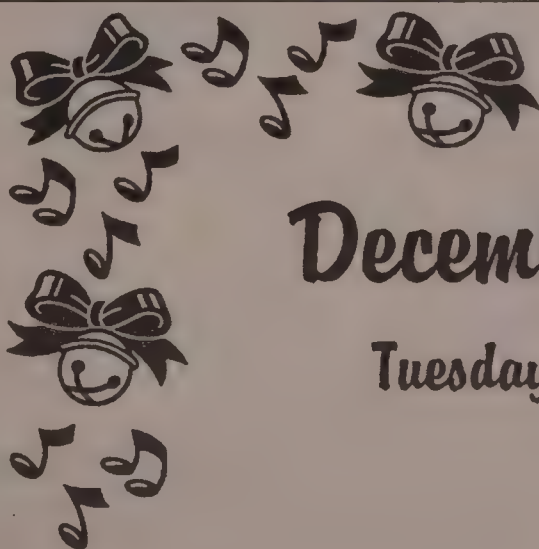
Tickets

Tickets for A Christmas Carol may be purchased at the Merrimack Repertory Theatre box office, 50 E. Merrimack Street, Lowell Ma. or by calling 508-454-3926. Performances are Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays and ticket prices are \$18 for adults and \$12.00 for children 12 and under. Subscribers to Merrimack Repertory Theatre can purchase tickets for \$10.00.

The 2:00 performance on Saturday December 7th has been designated a Pay-What-You-Can performance at Merrimack Repertory Theatre. 50 seats have been set aside and may be purchased for whatever amount the customer feels they can afford. These tickets are limited to two per person and can only be purchased at the box office. Pay-What-You-Can tickets go on sale Monday, December 2nd.

Merrimack Repertory Theatre is funded in part by generous grants from The National Endowment for the arts, the Massachusetts Cultural Council, The McCallum Foundation, the Theodore Edson Parker Foundation, The Ronald M. Ansin Foundation, Butler Bank and hundreds of individuals and corporations.

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POETRY PAGE

Choosing Mirth In The Moment

Paint yourself a colorful picture
and then step right into it
A leap of the imagination
and a gift to your soul
It can be whatever you want it to be
A garden, a forest...anything
You deserve it...we all need it
A time to smile and laugh
Bring your loved ones along
if you like
Stop and smell the roses
or even plant some
Savor the moment
which is always fleeting
yet always right there
Time is a subjective perception
make of it what you will
but don't let it make you sweat
Get some crayons and live it up
Everyone can use a hug sometime
Tell the people that you love
that you love them
These are busy times
and the clock silently mocks us
while we are being so responsible
and productive
Balance can be a slippery thing
Let's try and have as much fun
as we can my friends
because the alternative is a drag
Christopher M. Smith

of love, past, present
by ruguru w.

this poem is
nostalgia
the beauty and the grandeur of that life
lost intimacy and broken promises
time stretching into infinity
turning vibrancy into deadwood
solid tears to deep permanent hurt
the indifference of time

this poem is
the cosmic loneliness
the rolling empty plains
the dusty dry valleys
the silent waterholes
the dead trees
that have become my life

this poem is
about you
your endless beauty,
human perfection
finds meaning in you
tall and straight as a spear
dark and strong like the ancient warriors
your look better than any I find down here

this poem is
you in my mind
a growing malignancy
a red pain gnawing at my soul
an endless existence

this poem is
unmet desires
frustrations
white anger that hurts so deep
the wanting and the needing
love or lust
missing the physical,
or the spiritual
the risk to do it
why why?

this poem is
my song to you

WHEN I GROW UP

When I am twenty one
all big and grown
rich with all the money in the world,
I'll buy nine dogs,
big white ferocious canines
just like my uncle Joe.
I'll let them sleep in my room
around my green king-size bed
and play in my spacious dining room
They'll ride with me everywhere
in my green and white truck
and at the end of the day
I'll feed them spicy broiled chicken.

sirus
mc

"some secrets I carry"

Whispered

delicate...

Mind Music

trembles

SharpBlue--

Crisp midnight (cat's feet

saunter

down the attic

hall way--

Dreaming to death)~

keith vezeau

She Lies, Not in Bed
But Between Shakespeare's
Sonnet 138 & 139

Your snoring sounds the refrain
for the water running down, draining
to the bottom, sucking dry.
It makes me fry.

I shout, go to bed!
But you ignore...
instead of to bed
you leadenly snore,
again to mend
you bones to fend
me off your spirit.

Your snoring sneers at
and awakened, snarles at
my narrow marrow gnarled at
by the repetition rasps that
I'd lock up with a hasp
so they'd be the last
gasps to distract me to.

glenn d'alessio

To Professor Lingner.

... of History

History is layered like
the rocky ledges
of Purgatory Chasm's crevices.
where pines, now present
have roots mingling records past
changing the future...

~glenn d'alessio

The chain is only as strong as its weakest link.



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are and will always be Jack's friends.

aids stop the distortion

SPORTS

Worcester State Lancers Lose Heartbreaker to Ithaca Bombers

by Mike Cocozzella
Voice Staff

It was a warm and sunny day, on Saturday, November 23, when the Lancers took the field.

Ithaca started with the ball, but were unable to score. Their first field goal attempt was wide.

After Worcester took over, Caputo was intercepted for the first of many times.

Despite the interception, hope remained. It seemed to me as though Ithaca's attack was not balanced, that is, they did not complete a large number of their passes.

Ithaca's second attempt to score was successful when they scored a field goal with 8:59 left in the half. Not too long after the turnover, Caputo gave the ball to another Ithaca defender, which led to a touchdown with 7:50 left in the half. With the extra point, the score

stood 10-0.

Caputo made up for this interception on a pass which bounced off a player's helmet into a WSC player's hands for a touchdown. The extra point made it 10-7.

Another Ithaca Touchdown made it 17-7 as time ran out in the half.

WSC started to turn the interception table around when they took one of the Bombers balls away. Though unable to score, this prevented a score from Ithaca.

Ithaca scored the next touchdown on a blocked punt which was recovered in the end-zone. The score was now 24-7, Ithaca.

Worcester State now had to play "catch-up." Which they did on a Caputo pass for a touchdown, making the score 24-14.

With 14:37 left in the game, Ithaca once again intercepted Caputo, and was able to score a field goal, to make the

score 27-14.

Then, Ithaca again intercepted the ball on a Caputo pass. Later, the Lancers intercepted another pass from Ithaca, but this was taken back on the very next play which was a Caputo pass.

Caputo and the Lancers got going again and were able to score a touchdown to make the score 27-21.

Unfortunately, Caputo was intercepted twice in the closing minutes of the game. WSC needed only a TD to tie, and an extra point to win. The game ended at 27-21, Ithaca.



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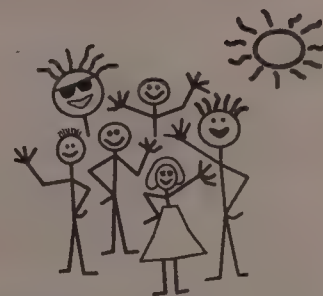
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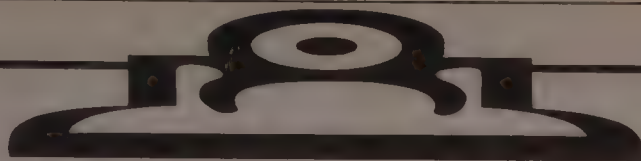
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LIGHTEN UP AND

TAKE THINGS IN THE

SPIRIT OF GOOD FUN.



SHEDJULE OF EVANDS

We're Sorry, but due to bad planning, our Calendar Editor has been shot by a militant white person from the Massachusetts Militia for promoting an ROTC event in last week's paper. As such, there will be no calendar until we find a new one. Applications can be sent to Lord N. Taylor or King Ding Galing at the Vice.

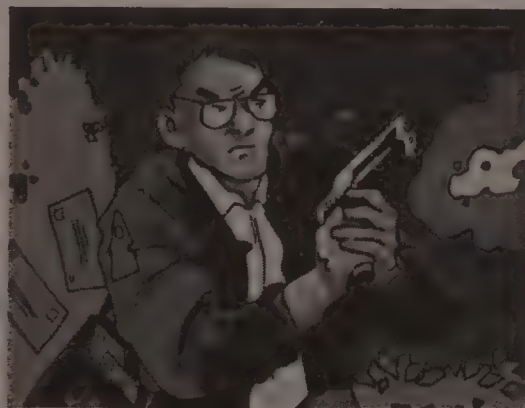


The Monster Lecture Series concludes next week with an appearance by Bigfoot who will give a lecture entitled, "How to Make Morons Think They've Seen You."

Tickets cost \$49.95 each, and the lecture begins at sundown.

RETRACTION

The Studant Vice wishes to retract it's statement that some Post Office employees are gun-toting maniacs. They are, in fact, all gun-toting maniacs. We apologize for any misinformation.

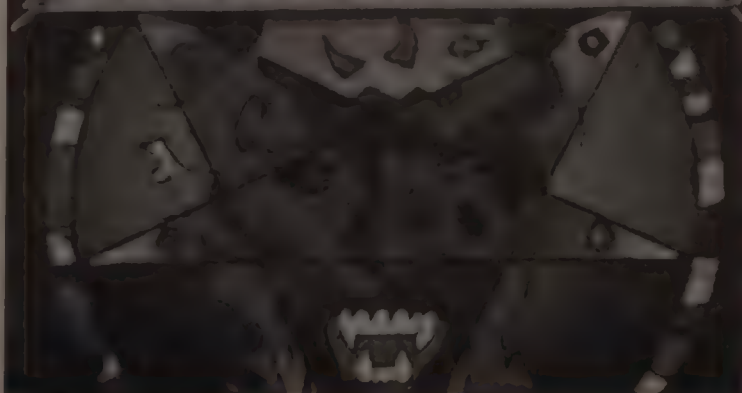


The Reformed Church of Satan has changed it's BINGO night from Sundays to Fridays, effective immediately.

We apologize for any inconvenience.

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BINGO EVERY FRIDAY!



Th Steward Viice iz lookin fa copeerightas and spelchekas. If inta rested, pleez contactt th' offis ov th Stuedint Vice, Vice Babee inn Rooooooom 69 of the Stuwdent Centa.

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World-Wide (or at Lea

Clinton Destroys DC, Thousands Evacuated as Prez Lets One Go!!!

By I.P. Freeley
Vice staff

At about 10 p.m. last night, as thousands of urban dwellers were fast asleep, President Bill Clinton was able to sneak out of the security net surrounding the White House and escape to a local restaurant. Wearing a disguise and calling himself "Dick," he proceeded to enter *Uncle Stinky's House of Beans*. At that time he ordered the house special, which consisted of 1 pound of beans (any kind), two eggs (any style), a bean cola, and, for desert, bean ice cream.

After finishing his meal, he was found by two secret service agents who were using their code names. Ben Dover and Jack McOff. They were under the direction of their security chief, whose code name was Mr. Vasectomy. They were ordered to escort the President back to the White House ASAP. The President's code name for this operation would be "Little Willie." As part of the plan now called "Operation: Slippery Dick," they needed to change the President's clothes into his jogging outfit, so that no one would realize that he had been outside security.

On the return trip to the White House, Clinton suddenly broke wind in a massive cataclysm that destroyed all buildings within a 4-block radius. Ben and Jack were ripped in half by the explosive force of the flatulence. Unfortunately, a bystander had been smoking a cigarette which lit the enormous

gas ball into an enormous fireball. As fire crews raced to the scene, they were met by a fire unlike any that had been seen in recent history. An anonymous Fire Department member was quoted as saying "\$#!T" as the enormous fireball hit him, killing him in the process. Fire Chief Pyrus Maniacles, when asked for a comment, said "I have no comment." Deputy Roscoe P. Coltrane sounded confused when he asked "Has anyone seen my dog, Flash?"

The President and his family were immediately escorted to Camp David where upon they were then brought to N.O.R.A.D., where they will remain until the fires are brought under control. Fire crews worked all night to stop the conflagration, but in the end were unable to prevent the destruction of most of Washington D.C. Several thousand tents will be set up just outside the city limits for displaced families. When reached for comment, the President had only this to say: "I have no comment."

Those in the know believe that Republicans will probably use this incident as the driving force behind the 1998 elections, and expect campaign slogans similar to: "Vote for Blass. Not for Gas!" When asked for comment, Republican Newt Gingrich had this to say: "Ha! This makes up for the Democrats propaganda machine working against me, F**k 'em all. And soon, I can take over the world! Bwah ha ha ha! Does the red light mean that the tape recorder on?

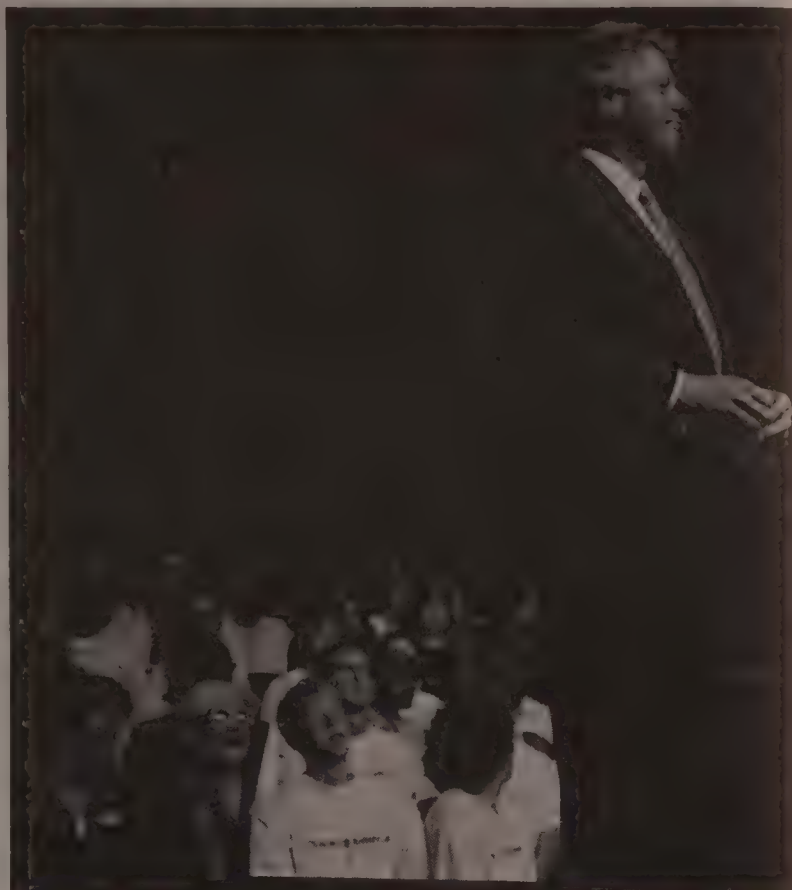


PHOTO BY AMANDA HUGENKIS

As shown above, Clinton's gas attacks can injure or even kill hundreds on their own!

World Peace Declared!!!!!!!

By Anheuser Bush
Vice Staff

World peace was declared last Sunday, when United Nations Secretary General Buttgross Buttgross Ghagmi decided that he had had enough of the world's politics. His plan would call for all nuclear weapons to either be destroyed or be put under his own personal command. This would be followed over the next several years with all other forms of weapons being destroyed, or turned into cigarette lighters. Furthermore, all countries would then change their primary language(s) to Pig-Latin.

The next step, after all of this has been accomplished, would be to rename all the countries in the world after different types of animal feces. It should be noted that this part of the plan was not well received by American Ambassador John "Rhesus Feces" LeBreton, who wanted his nickname to remain unusual. As stated by Dr. Ghagmi,

The following step would be to rename all the cities in the world after one of the Three Stooges. Cities with a population of 1,000,000 people or more would receive the name "Stoogeville." The final stage of this plan would be to ban any and all forms of government from existence anywhere in the world.

When asked how this marvelous plan could be achieved, Dr. Ghagmi said that over time he has been encouraging all the world's people to rise up in favor of absurdity. Examples of this would be to have an entire college have a gym requirement, but only having one or two teachers for the entire Phys Ed. staff. Dr. Ghagmi went on to say that if people were so desperate for world peace they would have never invented weapons, and instead "evolved into a sheep/human hybrid that would graze on grass and get eaten by predators with nasty, sharp, pointy teeth."

Voice Accused of Running Headlines

Too Long; Editors Deny Reports; Tell Accusers to Blow Off, or Join Paper; Accusers Do Nothing

Dracula Becomes a Good Guy!

by Bludsuken Leach
Vice Staff

At a press conference yesterday, Count Dracula, aka Vlad the Impaler, announced his intention to only drink the blood of the evil, and to that end, he would become a costumed crime-fighter. Now known as Leech-man, he would track down criminals, suck their blood, and let them die. He has chosen to not allow them to rise as vampires.

For those who don't know, Vlad recently hired a "Spin Doctor" known as Sha Wright to manage his affairs. In a bold move, they decided that to change his image they needed to modernize his appearance. Dracula, instead of wearing his normal 3-piece suit and cape, now wears articles of clothing in the "grunge" style. Now Dracula is a super-hero.

He will join with the Frankenstein Monster (aka Bolt-Neck), the Werewolf (aka



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The Master of all that is Unholy, in a more lucid moment.

Hair-boy), and the creature from the Black Lagoon (aka Fin-Man) to form the Legion of Wierdness, in order to fight menaces too big for any one wierdo. Applications to the Legion of Wierdness can be made through the Offices of Sha Wright, Director of Wierd Activities.

t Campus-Wide) News

Unaplumber Captured, Ghosh Triumphant

by Stu Louis
Vice Staff

Early last week, after an exhaustive several months long search, the Unaplumber was at last captured. For those of you who don't read the newspapers too often, the Unaplumber is a terrorist who preys on the plumbing facilities of society's leading citizens. In the past, he has attacked the facilities of the Worcester Centrum, Mayor Mariano, the Chief of Police, Dean Paul Joseph, the Student Voice, and, of course, President Ghosh.

The Unaplumber had not been seen since the attack on Alan Jackson and the operations staff last semester, but he returned recently to attack the History Faculty on the fourth floor of the Administration Building.

Monday, at 8:25 in the morning, as an unnamed source tells the Voice, the Unaplumber was discovered in the History Dept. The Unaplumber had concealed himself in the stairwell to the fourth floor. He waited for his opportunity to strike. It did when Dr. Bruce Cohen, a prominent instruc-

tor, went from his office to the secretary's desk. At this time, the Unaplumber struck. Brandishing his mighty plumbing wrench (nicknamed "Heimlich" by the popular press) he took Cohen hostage.

According to Dr. Cohen, the Unaplumber said "I know there is at least one history major on staff at the Voice. Use your influence to silence the Voice."

At this time, several other history professors, including Profs. Spector, Fox, and Kane, attempted to intervene. Their efforts were for naught. The madman had modified "Heimlich." He had attached a chain to a hole in the base, so that he could retrieve it, no matter where he threw it. He launched his wrench towards the professors, who all ducked for safety from the lunatic's wrath. After retrieving his wrench, the Unaplumber went on a tirade about how the world should be changed back into feudal states, ruled by "Plumber-Kings." For those of you who are unaware of the concept, this was an early idea set forth by Plato. He later rejected it for the more popular idea of the

"Philosopher-King."

Again he threw his wrench into the gathering throng. This time, however, it was caught by Professor Shea. Shea, drawing upon his years in the armed forces, maintained possession of "Heimlich," and advanced on the psycho-plumber. With a quick blow to the Unaplumber's face, Professor Cohen was free. Another blow, this time to the abdomen, floored the Unaplumber.

The maniac recovered his tool from Shea, and ran towards the waiting elevator. Shea chased him. The mob ran after them, but they rounded the corner too late. The elevator stopped on the second floor. The Unaplumber, and accomplice, fled on foot towards the Sullivan Building. This took them directly past the office of President Ghosh. Little did the Unaplumber know, but Ghosh had been forewarned by the History secretary of the Unaplumber's presence in the building.

Ghosh had changed from his outfit, from his normal 3-piece suit, into a spandex wres-

ling-type outfit. He lunged at the deranged plumber, screaming that "dis is not a plumbing school!" Ghosh took put him down on the floor in one deft move. After a brief scuffle, the Campus Police arrived and took the Unaplumber into custody. The Unaplumber, who has yet to be identified, screamed as he was taken from the scene. "Vengeance is mine, sayeth the Gourd!" The Unaplumber's accomplice escaped, and has not been seen since.

Ghosh later found the significance of the Unaplumber's bizarre statement, when his personal facilities exploded due to a gourd stuffed into the toilet egress pipe. The gourd was life-flighted to St. Vincent's in Worcester, where it was pronounced dead on arrival. It was then brought to UMass Medical Center where it was revealed to only have minor injuries. The gourd has not yet decided whhther to try to file charges. Donations to the Unaplumber's defense expenses can be given to David Spencer at the Office of the Student Voice.

The Unaplumber Manifesto Revealed!!!

Typeset By Stu Louis
Unaplumber Correspondent

We who the people call Unaplumb issue this manifesto on April 1, 1996. We would have preferred an established media, but we will allow our first contact to be with the Student Voice of Worcester State College. We do not condone their attitudes, but respect their 1st amendment rights to print their views. We believe thoroughly in the following points:

1. All pipes in any building should be made of metal. The preferred metal is copper, but any metal except titanium or stainless steel can be allowed. Absolutely no PVC can be used as it is representative of the evil society of industry
2. We believe in the right to a hairy asscrack. Any who gag at the sight of same, should be brought out into the street and shot.
3. The right of all free-plumbers to walk around with their ass-cracks hanging out will be upheld as the first amendment to the new constitution.
4. The so-called "Society of Victims" will be destroyed allowing for a new class, the Plumbers, to rule like god-kings. All others, excepting carpenters, electicians, appliance repairmen, construction workers, and prostitutes (all of whom show their asscracks at some point will form the new nobility), will

become serfs.

5. I will rule over all beings as a dictator, and all will refer to me as either His Royal Plumbness, or Il Ferrumus.
6. Only beans, coffee, bran, and Mexican food should be included in the normal diet of all Americans.
7. Worship of the plumbers' god, Plumbum, should be observed by all who are truly plumbers. The teachings of His prophet, Ferrus, must be observed as law.
8. All true-believers in Plumbum should weekly call their local plumber to fix their pipes, even if they don't need to.
9. All subway systems will be called "Pipes." All above grounds trains systems will be called "Cracks."
10. Finally, the asscrack is not a genital. It should not be refered to as such when used in any context.

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Santa Held Hostage In Las Vegas

by Jingle This
Vice Staff

It was the night before Christmas and Santa was feeling kind of stressed out. "I'm too old for this!" he mumbles to himself as he kicks back with a pint of Ben n Jerry's Chunky Monkey ice cream. He decided to take the sleigh for a joy ride to get some fresh air before the big night. He could only find three of the reindeer. Donner, Blitzen and Bomber. Bomber wasn't one of the original eight, he was a back-up reindeer because he was a little overweight. He was addicted to the magic popcorn and had recently been released from a treatment program for magic popcorn addicts. He has been clean for about two weeks, but Santa had his doubts about him. They reluctantly allowed themselves to be hooked up to the sleigh, which needed a new paint job. Santa began to crawl into the sleigh and it tipped over as he got in and pulled the three unenthusiastic reindeer face down in the snow. "Way to go Nick!" said Donner sarcastically. "Shut up!" retorted Santa as he pushed

the sleigh back over. As he did one of the blades on the bottom feel off. Santa sighed and got in anyway. The broken sleigh was now leaning heavily to the right. Mrs. Claus came running out. "Where do you think you're going?" Santa paid no attention to her. "I'm talking to you Mr. Kringle!!!" "Beat it! I'm going to relax!" With that he cracked his whip and the three reindeer began to pull the sleigh. "You gotta be kidding. Santa needs to go on a diet." said Blitzen. The sleigh began to move and the side that had no blade made sparks on the ground and the wood was beginning to wear and break off. Mrs. Claus threw a snowball and hit Santa in the back of the head. Santa pulled a blender out of his bag and chucked it at her. He barely missed her and she laughed and went back inside. The sleigh was in flight, but only about twenty feet off of the ground. Bomber was down lower about six feet off of the ground. He was banging into bushes and stuff. "Bomber! Bomber! get up here!" yelled Santa. Bomber crashed into the ground and his reins got caught in a tree. The sleigh was

whipped around and the reins broke. Bomber was unhurt. Blitzen and Donner were carrying the load alone now. They flew for a long while until they reached Las Vegas. The Keebler Elves(the ones that live in trees and make cookies) never liked Santa so they set a trap for him. A giant net was set up and Santa was pulled down to the ground by about 500 evil little cookie making elves. "We've got you now Fatboy!" one said and they began to laugh. Donner and Blitzen were taken away to an undisclosed location. Santa was forced to sign documents that stated that he would pay his own elves more and include better health benefits. He also had to promote Keebler elf cookies for the next 100 years and then the contract could be renegotiated. Santa was released and Donner and Blitzen were no where to be found. Santa had to take a cab back to the North Pole which cost \$87,500.93. Mrs. Claus had to pay when he got there because Santa doesn't carry any money. Only six reindeer were left and Santa had to use a row boat for a sleigh, but it all worked out...kinda. Ho, ho, ho. Merry Christmas!

**Help
Wanted:**
We, the members of the Student Vice, demand that we get psychiatric help immediately. Failure in this could result in a worse paper than this one!

Enter Tainment

The Comic Stripper

By Buck Naked

Vice Staff (and former porn king)

DIMWIT Comics, the new **DC**, **Image**, and **Marvel** alliance, has announced their marketing plans for next year. **Death of a Legend** will run through all of their titles in a way that if you don't read all of them, none of them will make any sense at all (they'll make a little sense if you do read all of them). Scheduled to run from January to April, it will end with the death of Captain Ultra. But, fear not Captain Ultra fans, two months later Captain Ultra #1 hits the stands. This book will start

a new storyline

called **Ultraquest**.

The Crusade.

This will run

from June to

August

through all

DIMWIT

books, ex-

cept the latest

N-book, **SEX**.

Woman. In this

story, a new "grim

and gritty" Captain

Ultra begins to shoot

jaywalkers. The **DIM-**

WIT heroes try to stop him,

but he proves too powerful. September

starts a two-issue miniseries called **Captain**

Ultra: Ultra Terminal Velocity. In this book,

all of the **DIMWIT** speedsters team up to

resurrect the original Captain Ultra. They

all fail leaving the task to Silvestri's **Top**

Cow speedster, **Velocity**. From October to

December, **DIMWIT** runs **Ultra Twilight**.

This is the big crossover in which the two

Captain Ultras fight for the "Mantle of the

Cap." The winner will not be revealed un-

til January in Captain Ultra #8.

Todd McFarlane has decided to take a

break from long running hit **Spoon**, so that

he can, in his words, "rest from the tedium

of regular schedules."

All the original **Image** creators have left

DIMWIT and Liefeld will start up a new

company with Lee, Silvestri, and Larson.

The new company will be called **RIP-OFF**,

and use no ideas that are their own.

Shout This Peek:

Black Cow Comics:

Al Lee Ens #4: The Texas Rangers (Space

Division), must for the fourth time fight off

an attack by the clones of people named **Al**

or **Lee**, including **Al Michaels** and **Lee**

Horsley.

Pred-Eater #2: The Predators get stalked

on their home world by a race of creatures

with super technology, who hunt them down

and give them atomic noogies!

Star Wars: Return of the Emperor of the

Dark Lord of the Death Star of the Empire:

Part One: Dark Helmet Rising in

ChinaTown; Puke Skystalker must fight Han

Dynasty for the lifesaver which can destroy

the bad breath of Dark Invader. T3-F3 must

fly a Sex-Wing fighter without a pilot!

DIMWit Comics:

Blunder Woman #69: Blunder Woman

teams up with the studly Stupidman to find

an ancient relic called the Holy Pail!

Captain Unamerica #427;

Cap fights a never-

ending battle

for lies, in-

equality, and

the e

unamerican

way!

Claw:

Boy special:

Fan love

Claw-Boy

loses the tita-

anium metal in

his skeleton,

causing this

issue to be

worth mucho

dinero!

Fatman # 543; Fatman and Rubbing vs.

Jerk-off and his new partner, Blind Vision!

Flush #127.3; Flush, the Fattest Man alive

must face his toughest opponent, finding a

pair of pants that fits!

Jen 14 #1; 14 chicks named Jen (who also

happen to have had breast augmentation)

team up to fight crime! Special Silicone

Cover!

Manhandler #42; Final Issue!!! (for this

month) After the death of Manhandler, a new

Manhandler must arise to take back the city.

Also featuring the first appearance of the

man who will kill Captain Ultra, Benson

Bainbridge, Agent of N.B.A.

N.B.A.. National Bureau of

Assassassassassinations #1; featuring the

stories of the men and wimmen who make

up this wonderful organization. First up,

Benson Bainbridge and Booty La Booty

must face the threat of Dethdeath, the man

who walks like and upright Ape!

Stupidman #1000; Stupidman and Blun-

der Woman continue their quest for the Holy

Pail!

Stupidman: The Man of Stainless Steel

#607; Stupidman in a fight to the death with

his arch-enemy, Alexei Luthovich.

Zeus-A God Among Men: Trade Paper-

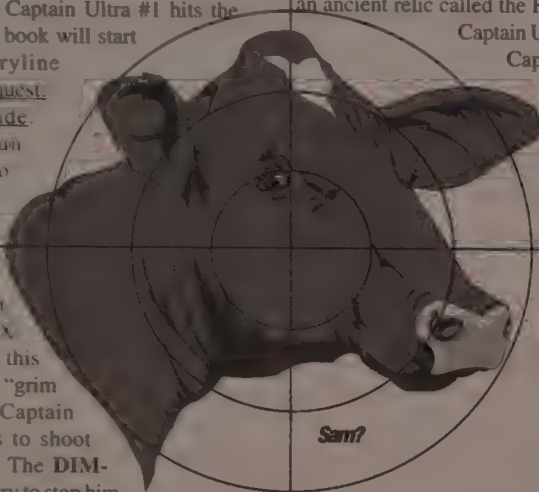
back; The collected story of Zeus' journey

through the world of man is now in this spe-

cial edition. Major fans may want to get

the limited edition "Zeus-A God Among

Feces" Toilet Paper.



Madonna to Make Special Appearance at WSC on Publicity Tour For the Sequel to the Book "SEX"

by King Ding Galing

He Who Must Be Obeyed!!!

Due to the great responses the *Student*

Voice had with its 3rd issue (the one featur-

ing the nude super-star hanggliding) Ma-

donna has decided to make Worcester State

College one of her stops on the World Wide

publicity bonanza aimed at the release of

the sequel to "SEX."

The publicity gig starts its World Tour in

Idaho, and then, flies straight to Tehran, Iran.

Other stops in the Middle East include

Mecca, Saudi Arabia, and a little cameo ap-

pearance in Baghdad. From there, Madonna

intends to visit the Vatican City, where she

plans to set up a stand right outside the

Pope's house.

Madonna, in a statement released yester-

day, said: "I am very grateful to everyone

at WSC for doing what they did and I only

hope that my second book will be as suc-

cessful as the first."

Although production for this book is not

completed yet, inside sources say that this

book will be the all time best seller ever.

Making a special appearance in this book is

Roseanne, who we are told is photographed

in the nude along with our pregnant Ma-

donna.

The new book, entitled "SEX II-The Preg-

nant Years" is due to come out on the 31st

of February.

The Vice is always looking for people to do menial tasks that we don't feel like doing. If you are interested in making coffee, being an office decoration, typing PSAs and/or press releases, then the Student Vice's new "Sheep of Tomorrow" program is for you. Please call (508) OIC-U812 and ask for me.

Hey Ziad, we need something to fill up this space. Any ideas?

We could put in a WSC seal.

Yeah, but this is a parody issue and we don't have time to doctor it. How about an Oakie?

What could we do with Oakie?

We could make him look like he's been run over!

That's been done.

Giving him an attitude?

Done.

What if we take a shot of President Ghosh's Head and then we paste it to a...

Don't even go there. We could do another naked Madonna.

I don't think so old chum. How about Dean Joseph?

What about him?

We can have a fake interview about the future of the school!

That's stupid!

Hmmmmmmmm....I've got it! I know the perfect thing to put in this space that will prob-

ably be the most popular thing we've done yet. Oh \$#!+. We've run out of space. We'll

have to put it in the next issue of the Vice.

Other Things

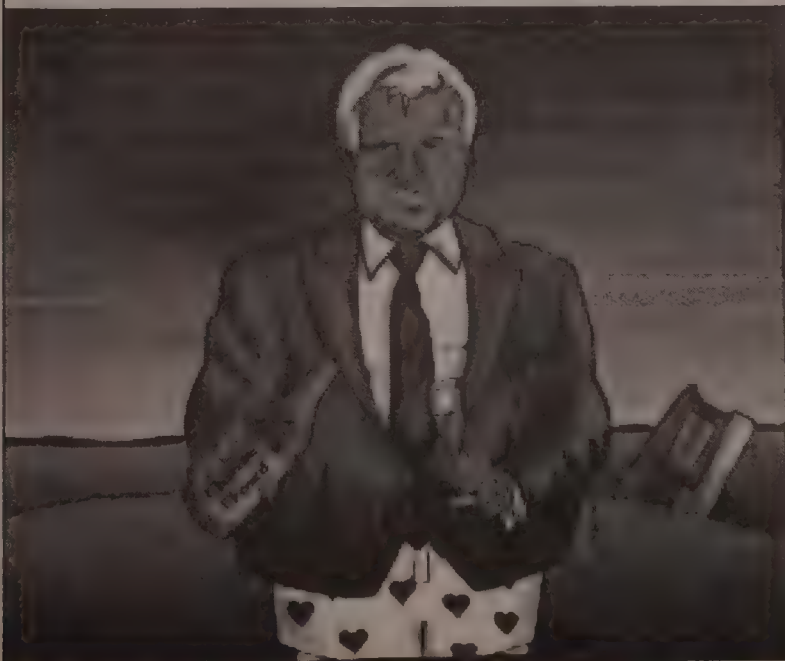
TOP TEN USES FOR THE STUDENT VOICE

By I. P. Freeley
Vice Staff

10. A STEP TO REACH THE TOP SHELF (YOU'LL NEED MORE THAN ONE).
9. AS A HIDEOUT (THE OFFICE, NOT THE NEWSPAPER)
8. BLOW YOUR NOSE WITH IT.
7. HIT AN IDIOT WHO'S ANNOYING YOU.
6. UMBRELLA-TYPE DEVICE (IF IT'S RAINING).
5. A PLACE TO WORK OFF YOUR TIME IN PURGATORY (CATHOLICS ONLY).
4. FLYSWATTER.
3. TOILET PAPER (IF YOU RUN OUT).
2. MAKE PAPER AIRPLANES.
1. KINDLING.

Kennedy to return to WSC!

Ted Kennedy has decided to give another campaign speech at good old WSC on April 31, 1997 to bolster his campaign for Senate in the year 2000.



Do you know Jack Schitt?

Jack Schitt is the only son of Aw Schitt, the fertilizer king; and Oh Schitt, the owner of the Kneedeepin Schitt Inn.

Jack Schitt married Noe Schitt, and they had six kids. Their first little Schitt, Holy Schitt, passed on shortly after birth.

Next came twin sons Deep Schitt and Dip Schitt. Then they had two daughters, Fulla Schitt and Giva Schitt, and then another son, Bull Schitt.

DeepSchitt married Dumb Schitt, a high school dropout.

Dip Schitt married Lotta Schitt, and they have one son, Chicken Schitt.

Fulla Schitt and Giva Schitt married the Happens brothers. The Schitt-Happens children are Dawg Schitt, Byrd Schitt, and Horse Schitt.

Bull Schitt married Pisa Schitt, and they had a baby named Hawg Schitt. They divorced and she remarried a man named Head. She now goes by the name Schitt-Head.

If you have read this far and don't know who these people are, you probably don't know Jack Schitt.



The Student Vice Would like to congratulate Claudio Salazar, staff cartoonist for the Student Voice, for his selection to be co-host for the TV special, "The Boston Celtics: Celebrating 50 years in Boston." The host of the evening will be none other than Celtics Head Coach M. L. Carr. This program will air next January 32nd.

What the Hell's Your Beef?

The Soap-buck\$

Once again we are at that fun time of year, when the green stuff flows like a river. Of course I am talking about (or rather writing about) money and mucus.

Due to the ill nature of mucus, I'll leave it's discussion for a future time. Money is another matter.

Christmas and X-Ma\$, despite what you may have heard, are actually two separate holidays. Christmas is the holiday we know and love as the day we get lots and lots of presents! Some actually believe that this is also the birthday of the big J.C., Johnny Cash.

This second part has yet to be officially documented as it could also refer to Johnny Carson or possibly even Julius Caesar.

X-Ma\$, however, is a completely different holiday. This holiday is actually the 12 days before Christmas, and is only celebrated by retailers. It comes down from "X," which is an unknown; "Ma," because family stores are usually called Ma's and Pa's; and \$ which is the universal symbol for pecunia and specie. Therefore X-Ma\$ is a secret holiday in which stores worship the spending of cold, hard cash (oh my, could this actually be a reference Johnny

Cash?).

The ritual of X-Ma\$ is as follows. First, in preparation, the retailers make a huge marketing frenzy about Christmas. Then they take all the price tags, and mark them up by 20% each day until Dec. 23. On Dec. 24, prices are marked up by 50%. As this goes on, they secretly collaborate to say that

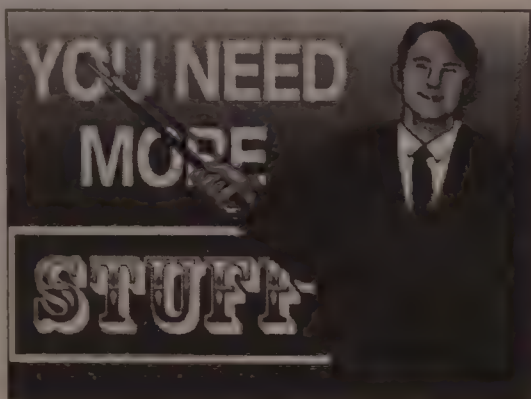
each store has "The lowest prices around." This is because all the prices are the same.

Each retailers sets up a shrine out in the storage area in which they and their

employees pray every time some spends more than one hundred dollars in one visit. Total employees are cut by 50% during X-Ma\$ to reduce costs and help make more money.

At the end, at midnight on December 24, the retailers close their doors, take all the good merchandise they saved out back, and wrap them as presents for their family. And this, kiddies, is how the season of X-Ma\$ works.

Lord N. Taylor
He Who Must Be Obeyed!!!



Letters to the Guys Who Are in Charge

Dear Edita,

You guys suck. You blow cold donkey. All of you should be brought out into the street and shot. You seem to only have time to write about things that do not concern the college in any way. May your ears fall off, and your nose grow an extra three inches in length.

In conclusion may I say what a wonderful job you did on covering the AIDS Quilt?

K. Len Goish

Dear K. Len,

Thank you for your kind words. Blah, blah, blah. Yadda, yadda, yadda. So forth and so on.

We here at the Vice take jobs very seriously, and would hate to seem as though we don't care about what people say. Blah, blah, blah, etc.

And we thank you for your support.

Lord N. Taylor
King Ding Galing

Thems What Must Me Obeyed!!!

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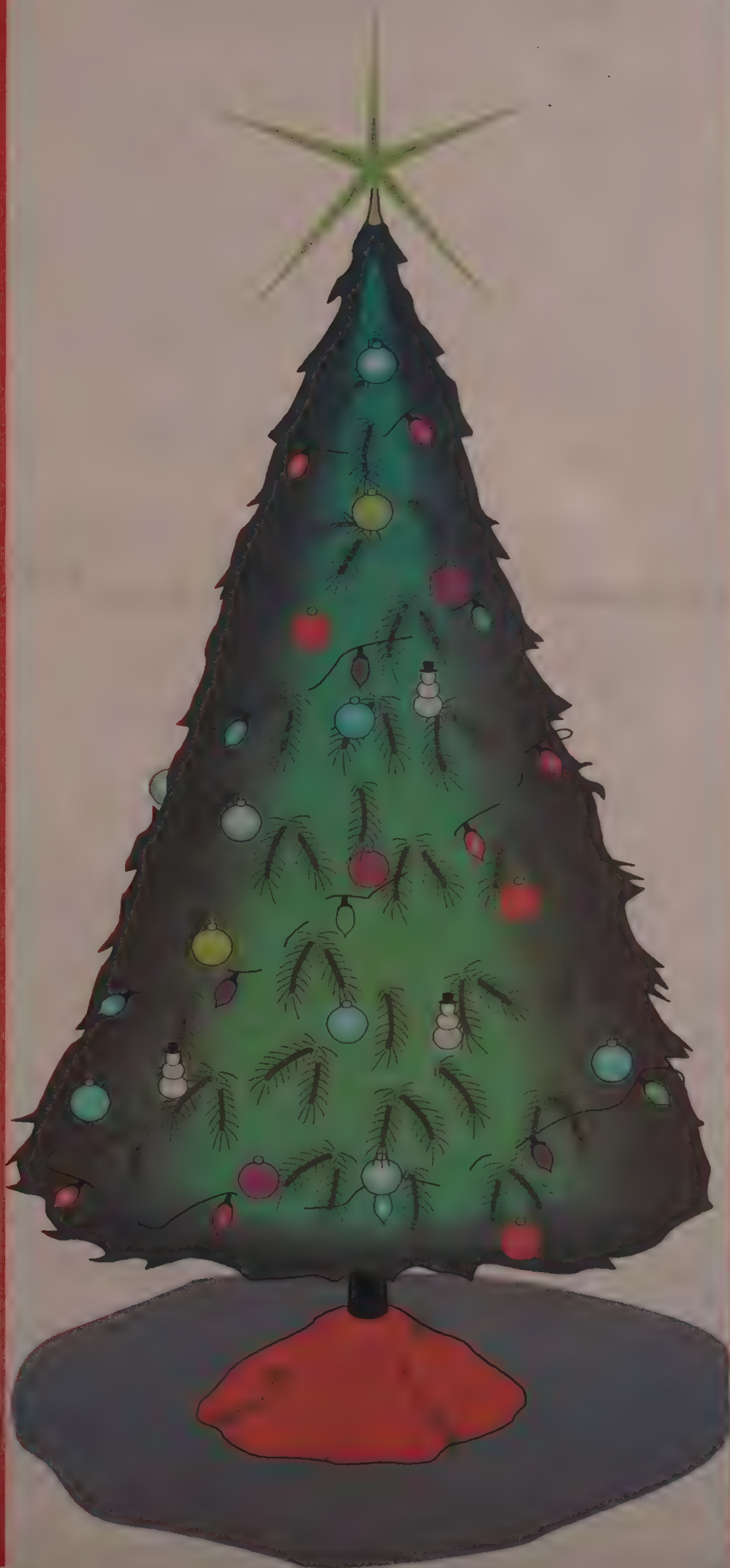
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CALENDAR

Thursday, Dec. 12

-Hanukkah ends at sunset

Friday, Dec. 13

-Exams Begin

-MWF 8:30 exam at 8:30

-MWF 12:30 exam at 12:30

Saturday, Dec. 14

-Women's Basketball vs. Roger Williams at 2:00

-Men's Basketball vs. Roger Williams at 4:00

Monday, Dec. 16

-MWF 9:30 exam at 8:30

-MWF 1:30 exam at 12:30

Tuesday, Dec. 17

-TR 8:30 exam at 8:30

-TR 11:30 exam at 12:30

Wednesday, Dec. 18

-MWF 10:30 exam at 8:30

-MWF 2:30 exam at 12:30

-Jeff Gonyea's Birthday (send presents care of WSC Student Voice)

Thursday, Dec. 19

-TR 10:00 exam at 8:30

-TR 1:00 exam at 12:30

Friday, Dec. 20

-MWF 10:30 exam

-Winter Break begins today

Saturday, Dec. 21

-College Closed

-First day of winter

Sunday, Dec. 22

-College Closed

Monday, Dec. 23

-Emperor's Birthday (Japan)

Tuesday, Dec. 24

-Christmas Eve (last chance to buy presents)

Wednesday, Dec. 25

-College Closed

-Christmas Day

Thursday, Dec. 26

-College Closed

-Kwanza begins

-Christmas Holiday (Germany)

-Boxing Day (Australia, Canada, UK)

-St. Stephen's Day (Ireland, Italy)

Friday, Dec. 27

-College Closed

Saturday, Dec. 28

-College Closed

Sunday, Dec. 29

-College Closed

Monday, Dec. 30

-College Closed

Tuesday, Dec. 31

-College Closed

-New Year's Eve

Wednesday, Jan. 1

-College Closed

-New Year's Day

Friday, Jan. 3

-Dave Spencer's Birthday, cash and or contributions of material goods can be sent to the Student Voice c/o him.

Only 6 school days till exams end!!!

Only 13 more shopping days til Christmas!!!

Only 22 more shopping days til Dave's Birthday!!!! (It's a major holiday like anything else!)

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The Soapbox

Once again it's that wonderful time of year when we spend up through December 23 complaining about the snow, and spend December 24 shopping for Christmas presents for our friends and family.

In this mad rush to spend many of us have lost sight of what Christmas actually is.

Christmas is supposed to be the day when Jesus was born, and our celebration of that. It became a day when we would celebrate kindness.

It has degenerated into a day when we wonder where we can get the best deal for someones Christmas gift, or how much we can screw people who buy from us. I think that if Jesus saw this he'd be a spinnin' in his grave, or rather just plain pissed that what started as a simple celebration, turned into

a mass-merchandising spectacular.

In the approximately two millenia since the time of Jesus, mankind has made some remarkable achievements, among these are the Renaissance, the discovery and exploitation of radio waves, flight and space flight. All of these show the advancement of the human race.

However, some would argue that mankind has advanced faster than it was ready to. For example, nuclear weapons now proliferate the planet. Mankind has not yet truly reached the point where we are ready to use such awesome power responsibly.

But I digress. In our quest to better ourselves, we have relied on science. Science can only make life easier, and cannot improve the soul. Our soul is what some would

say makes us human. Many today believe that as science waxes, spirituality wanes. I cannot disagree with this statement. When was the last time you went to church? Other than for a wedding or funeral? That's what I thought. Spirituality is one of the factors that makes us human. When I say spirituality, I don't mean to say that only the Christians are right. For all I know it could be the Muslims, the Jews, the Buddhists or even the Satan Worshippers. We, as a race, need to believe in something higher. It is both a flaw and a strength. Rather than just ignore it, we should embrace it, and hopefully find the answers we seek.

David Spencer
Editor in Chief

The Staff of the Student Voice wishes you a happy holiday season, a great break, and hope to see you next semester!

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The Spirit of Giving Change—Our Silent Partner Is Alive

by Christopher M. Smith
Voice Staff

This week the Student Center was alive with activity that reflected the fun and compassion that goes along with the holiday season. Santa Claus made a special visit to Worcester State College on Tuesday, December 3 and Wednesday, December 4 this year. The Student Senate put out the milk and cookies just after Thanksgiving and jolly old Saint Nicholas showed up. A two year old girl from the Boston area named Erin Geraghty successfully survived a heart transplant operation within the last month. People visited with Santa and members of the Student Senate in the Student Center and they donated one dollar to have their picture taken with Santa. Other people donated more and still other people donated money and didn't have a picture taken. From 11:30 AM to 3:00 PM eighty dollars was raised for the Erin Geraghty Heart Fund. From 10:00 AM on into late afternoon the next day, an additional \$175.00 was raised making a combined total of \$255.00 (exceeding the goal of \$200.00). Santa was played by Keith Fay, Student Senator and Chris Quercia, Student Trustee, but of course we all know that it was really Santa Claus. Many people helped out with picture taking and arrangements and keeping Santa up to date on how things were going back at the North Pole while he was here. Some of these people were Ginger Sullivan, SGA President, Jillian Powell, Student Senate, Teresa Iaconi, SGA and Chrissy from Student Senate. The Student Center wishes to thank everyone for their participation and donations. All of the proceeds will go to the Erin Geraghty Heart Fund. If you would like to make a donation you can call the Student Senate office at 793-8000 x.8655.

Another great thing that went on was the "Shots For Tots" that took place in the Student Center from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM on December 4 and 5. The Student Events Committee sponsored a fundraiser for a family in need through the Head start Program in Worcester. A basketball hoop was set up and people made a one dollar donation to make as many shots in a row as they could. The person who got the most in would receive half of that day's winnings. There were several participants and the winner on Wednesday was Greg N. and the winner on Thursday was Jason M., but everyone was a winner because this was for a good cause. The SEC would like to congratulate both of the winners and give a special thanks to Greg N. for donating his portion of the winnings back into the fund. Fifty-five dollars was raised and that money was used to purchase gifts for a family in need for the holiday season. People helping people and having fun at the same time is a wonderful thing. Happy Holidays!!!

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by Christopher M. Smith
Voice Staff

Well, another semester draws to a close. This has always historically been a time of stress and accomplishment for me. There are many deadlines and expectations around getting what needs to be done...done. There is such a great feeling of relief when the work that was undertaken at the beginning of the semester is completed. Conversation is mostly about finals and the weather. People who I have gotten to know over the last few months will be moving on, just as I will be. It seems to be the nature of college life to live a somewhat transient existence for a specific amount of time for a defined goal. However, my experience in college has not been so sterile and cold. It has been filled with many wonderful friends and acquaintances that have enriched me along my journey. I still have one more semester to go before I graduate, but I cannot help but be moved by emotion at this time of transition. The mechanics of this experience are the things that just seem like a blur when they are looked back upon from the distant future. It is the essence of what it is to be a part of this educational process that will remain forever vivid. A section of a person's life, college, is one of the most significant times. We are constantly growing and leaning in life until we die, but college has reminded me why I am on the journey in the first place. One of my Professors, (Zeady, F.T.), said that "knowledge doesn't give us the answers, but it gives us the ability to ask the questions to the answers." I do not know whether she coined the phrase or not, but I like it. There is much more to this experience than just the academics. As it said on the bags in the bookstore earlier this semester "Education is not preparation for life, education is life itself." I like to try and look for things to be enthusiastic about sometimes, because the tedious and the mundane can be so dry. I feel excited about my willingness to learn and to change and college is a place where I find many people feel the same way.

Don't get me wrong, I'm not doing cartwheels about it, this stuff can be very challenging and draining at times. I'm just saying that I am really glad to have the opportunity to better myself and I am glad that you are all here with me doing the same thing. This is an inspiring testimony to the discussion of evolving into something more than what I was when I first came here. I am quite aware of how boring much of this can be on a daily basis and it is sometimes easier to focus on that than the larger picture. Each semester here in New England is marked by a change in the weather. The end of the Fall semester is invariably cold, snowy and uninviting. Holiday time contributes to the business and there is a lot to be dealt with. I just wanted to share with you something that I do to make sure that I do not let experiences that are valuable to me just slip by. It is easy to do, and we all do it sometimes. I like to stop and smell the roses if I can and during this time of "responsibility" I invite you to give it a try yourself in your own way. Before we know it, we will be out of here and I hope that I can look back and say "I was really busy, but I still managed to have a lot of fun."

Enjoy, my friends!

The Student Voice will be having a meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 16, in room SC317 of the Student Center. Anyone interested in joining should attend this meeting as we get ready for next semester's run of the Student Voice!

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Once Upon a Time...

Little Johnny wakes up one sunny morning at 8:30 and decides "hey I think I will go to the gym and work." Well little Johnny gets to the gym and the lights are out and the doors are locked. He is discouraged but determined to look for someone who might be able to help. Many offices are open but the desks are all empty. He finally finds secretary in and office who gives him a song and dance about college policy and how there is no way little Johnny can change it, and there is no one else he can talk to so why doesn't he just give up.

Astonished such a narrow perspective was demonstrated at college no less, but hey, he'll make the best of it, and besides now he is hungry. So little Johnny trots over to the cafe. As he walks in the cafe he is lifted off his feet by the overwhelming smell of grease puffs and fried dough. Now Johnny's school has many different Health Science majors, what better way to ensure those graduates will have jobs tomorrow than to feed the future leaders of America artery clogging food. Anyway why should health care workers set an example, if they did they might be followed and find themselves out of a job. "Oh well," little Johnny says to himself and throws a hunk of lard on a dish, then brings it up to the cashier. "17.50," the cashier states blankly. As John Madden would say "Oh no... there's a man down," you see little Johnny only has \$2.00 left on

his meal card, which isn't bad for the first of November, but it looks like he doesn't get to eat today.

Well a hungry, out-of-shape little Johnny is going to get the best of his college experience, so he resolves to skip over to the library and bang out a paper. Bad luck always comes in 3's and wouldn't you know it half way through his paper, an announcement comes over the loud speaker. "Do to today's golf match the library will be closing in 5 minutes." Poor little Johnny, he's thinking about going back up to his room and taking a shower, but he is scared to try...Chandler Village probably has no hot water.

OK so maybe WSC isn't Harvard, but I don't have a Polo button-down sweater draped across my shoulders with the sleeves rolled up over my chest. And pops who is president of Stereotypes Inc. isn't sending me a \$500.00 stipend every month. Regardless I paid my tuition on time, and I don't expect the administration to do jumping jacks, but lets face it folks—we gots issues.

I know I am not the only one complaining, but you can rest be assured I refuse to scream at walls. It's almost like dealing with the United Nations at this college. Every one passes the buck to someone else, and God forbid if any one is responsible. Hello...nothing gets done, and why does the

staff always try to make it seem like its your fault things aren't running smoothly. This is beginning to sound like America's justice system. I must be dressing provocatively, yeah, my body language is just pleading for the library to close early when its schedule to close late.

I am not blaming the gentleman behind the desk in the library, (the one who doesn't like to give out change), and Coach Lindberg has done a fantastic job with the improvements in the gym, you tie a man or womans hands together and throw them in water of course they can't swim.

Here is the best thing of all, not only am I going to complain, I am going to offer solutions. Here they are in random order:

1- If the library is scheduled to be open until 5:00 PM, then keep it open until 5:00 PM. Don't close it at 2 or 3, or even 4:59. Hey if Boris Yeltsin hits the red button I understand if the administration wants to close the library, but he probably won't do that because he can't even pay his electric bill right now.

2- The gym can't be used unless it open.

Now all that new stuff sure is pretty, but I don't go to the gym to admire the aesthetics of the equipment. I know there are plenty of college kids who would love to have a job, especially one that pays you to work out.

3- As for the ever famous cafe, how about something that isn't cooked or fried in grease. And that ridiculous price by the ounce deal for the salad bar has got to find a new home. Hey, you got your contract renewed, you're going to have jobs, lets celebrate with healthy food, and a sale on turkey sandwiches. Sorry Mr. Sandler, 'sloppy joes' don't count as health food.

We all know 'this is not a party school,' so let's keep the protein high, the fat low, and exercise our muscles not our sarcasm. If you want to keep the light on in the library, I am sure your hard working, time-constrained students would be happy. Life may be a tale told by an idiot, but I want to go through it healthy, in shape, and educated.

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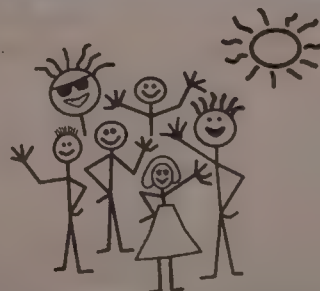
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HOW THE GHOSH STOLE BREAK

revised from Joan Dougan's 1993 rendition
with apologies to Dr. Seuss and Dr. Ghosh and The Grinch

Each Student on Chandler
Liked Break Time a lot.
But the Ghosh
Up in Admin-
That Ghosh,
He did not.

The Ghosh HATED breaks. The whole breaking season.
Now please don't ask why. No one quite knows the reason.
It COULD be Bio-Tech was not gel'ing quite right.
It COULD be he was given to fiscal'ish fright.

But I think the most likely reason of all
Was his Budget was, maybe, two sizes too small.

But,
whatever the reason,
his budget... new money...
He stood there at break time hating all happy company.

Staring down from his office, with a grim, Ghoshly glare
At the tightly-parked cars, dodging tickets with flare,
He realized each student on Chandler below
Was planning their Break Time in places, sans snow.

"And they're packing their bags!" The Ghosh muttered with fear.
"Tomorrow is Break Time! It's just about HERE!"

Then he growled, his twelve Ghoshly fingers a-drumming.
"I MUST find a way to stop Break Time from coming!"

For, tomorrow, he knew...

All the students in bars,
would leave by one thirty.
And rush to their cars.

They would scurry, and scurry.
They'd scurry, scurry, scurry.

Then the students, en masse, would head for a party.

And they'd party, and party.
They'd party, party, party.

First they'd sit in the sun,
Then they'd head for the stores
To spend College Money
On things Ghosh abhors.

And THEN
They'd do something
He liked least of all.
They would mock each other's schedules
For spring
Then for fall.

And the more The Ghosh thought of this Break Time Fun Fling
The more The Ghosh thought, "I must stop the whole THING!"

"Why, for five years I've put up with it now!
"I must stop break from coming.
I must!

But...HOW?"

Then he got an idea!
An awful idea!
The Ghosh got a terrible, awful idea!

"I know just what to do!" The Ghosh
thought with a grin.
"Though the odds of success are
terribly slim."

And he muttered and clicked,
"What a great Ghoshly Trick!"
"But I must get it past
"The Group Politic!"

"I need a decree..."
The Ghosh looked
around.
Found paper and pen-
cil
And wrote it all down.

Then he copied his memo.
And E-mailed some, too
Regretting not catching
the few who still flew.

The Ghosh said, "Distribute!"
His staff made the rounds.
Contacted faculty -
Papered the grounds.

Department Heads were quiet
Expecting a riot,
Wondering how students could ever defy
it.

The Ghosh felt sure he would feel
their reaction
Especially after taking such great,
drastic action.

"They're just finding out.
They're just reading the news."

The Ghosh paused at that, and he
started to muse.

"I know just what I'd do if I wore their shoes."
"Their mouths will hang open a moment or two
-
"Then the Students on Chandler will all cry,
'SCREW YOU!'"

"I'll keep them in school."
The Ghosh counted the money -
"The budget's improved. It is no longer funny!"

Then he paused...
And the Ghosh put a hand to his ear.

The sound that he heard gave his heart a brief fear...

And he did hear a sound coming fast to his
place.
PARENTS complaining -
The Ghosh had a sad
face.

The Parents approached the Ghosh
Admin on high.
The Ghosh looked upon them
and heaved a great sigh.

"Perhaps," thought the
Ghosh
"This can't go to frui-
tion."
"Perhaps," thought
the Ghosh,
"Funds need not
be tuition."

"Perhaps," the
Ghosh thought,
"Different
means should
be sought.
For, surely, this
idea is now being
fought."

Ghosh glanced down at
Chandler, Re-Heaving his sigh.
"Perhaps," he thought
"Fees are ALREADY too high!"

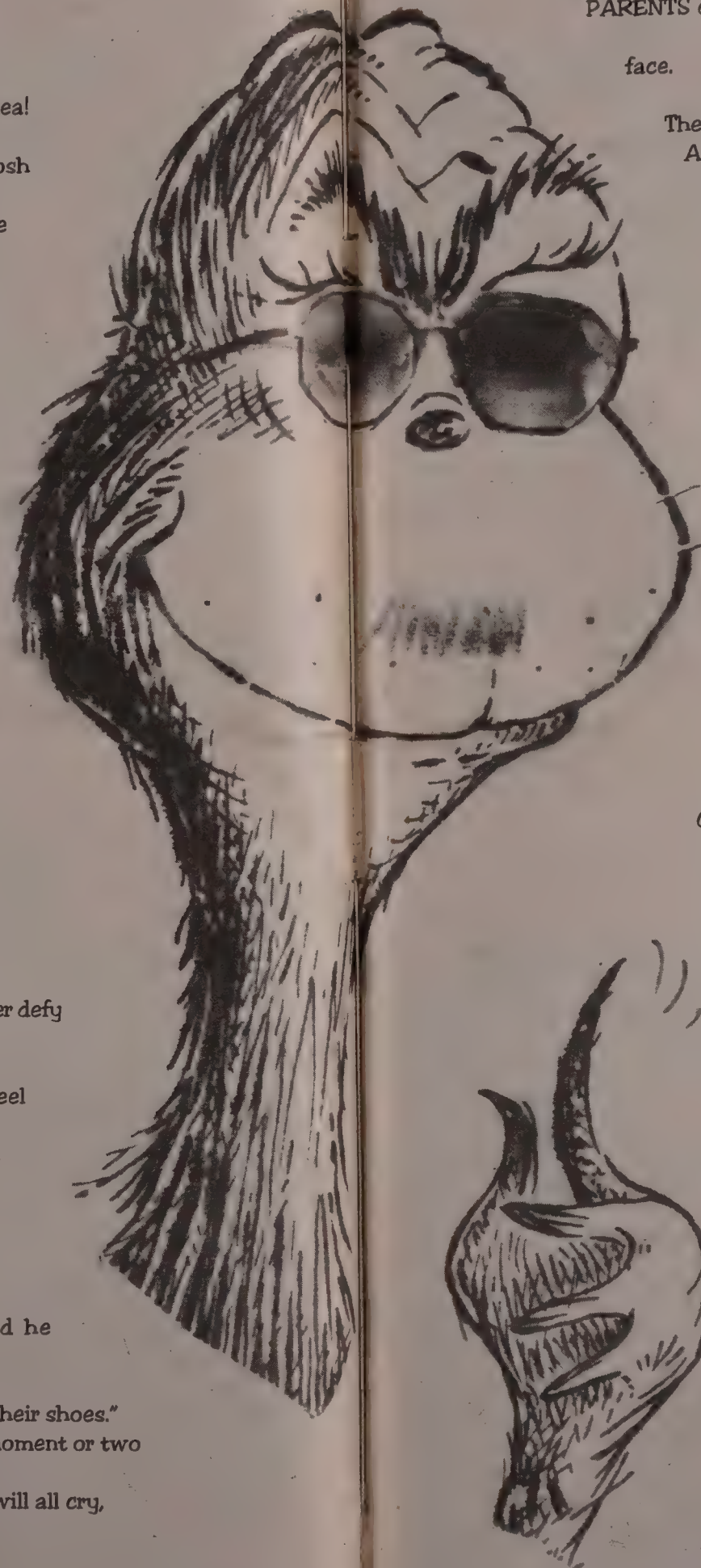
"Students need relaxation,"
he reasoned with glee.
"I can't stop their Break! I
will answer their Plea!"

And the Ghosh, at that
moment,
Recanted his Order.
The Parents and
Students tossed
out their Ghosh
Mortar.

The Ghosh kept
his Budget
Then thought up a
Fund Raiser so he
could nudge it.
He sang a new Ghosh
song called, "Wah-Who
DoRay."
Which, in his Ghosh lan-
guage, The Ghosh means to
say:

"Wah-Who, to my Students! Come

one and Come all
During this Christmas Break
to my Bio Tech BALL."



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and President
Ghosh who
neither sings
nor re-
sembles the
Grinch nor is
he hosting a
ball...that we
know of.

Arts & Entertainment

The Comic Strip

By Dave Spencer

Who Thanks God That He Doesn't Have To Come Up With Any More "Monty Python and the Holy Grail" Bylines!

By next summer you can expect a spin off series to *Kingdom Come*. Called simply *Kingdom*, the series is set in modern DC continuity. It will chronicle the rise of the new breed of heroes as well as how the modern heroes got to where they are in KC.

OUT THIS WEEK:

Dark Horse Comics

This is a list of books scheduled to be in stores this week from Dark Horse Comics.

Dark Horse Presents

#116-\$2.95, Trypto

The Acid Dog is

"Lost in Space."

Fat Dog Mendoza

tries to take a va-

cation, and Dr.

Spin is called to

defeat the chaos

in comic book con-

tinuity.

Ghost #20-\$2.50.

Ghost calls on X's help in

finding out who is trying to

kill her.

Gunsmith Cats: The Return of

Gray #5-\$2.95, Minnie-May must

go to LA to save the life of Ken Taki.

after Gray accepts a contract on him.

Star Wars: Tales of the Jedi: The

Golden Age of the Sith #3-\$2.95, Gav and

Josi successfully map hyperspace, but the

Empire wants to be the only ones with the

knowledge of where the short cuts are.

DC Comics

This is a list of books scheduled to be in stores this week from DC Comics.

Animaniacs #22-\$1.75, The Warner

brothers and sister get loaned to a rival stu-

dio boss, and end up facing off against Ricky

Rodent.

Azrael #26-\$1.95, Azrael must prevent

Rollo from releasing a universal solvent,

unfortunately, he's already done it.

Batman #539-\$1.95, Someone is robbing

the graves of Gotham City, and Batman must

find out who.

Batman/Captain America-\$5.95, Set in

WWII, this story reunites the World's great-

est Detective with the Sentinel of Liberty.

Green Arrow #117-\$2.25, Green Arrow and Company must prevent a Japanese gangster from using a nuke to destroy US/ Japan relations.

Green Lantern/Flash: Faster Friends #1-

\$4.95, for their first mission together, Alan

Scott and Jay Garrick captured an alien for

the government. When that alien escapes,

it tracks them down and captures them, leav-

ing them.

Luthor all speculate what they would do if they had Superman's powers.

Superman/Wonder Woman: Whom gods

Destroy #3-\$4.95, Lois Lane becomes Won-

der Woman, but first must defeat Nazi

Germany's champion, Princess Diana.

Tempest #4-\$1.75, The only way empest

can stop Slizzath is to destroy his power

vessel, who also happens to be the woman

he loves.

Helix Comics

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books

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uled to

be in

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from

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Comics.

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#4-

\$2.50.

The

story is

called

"They

Saved

Walt

Whitman's

Brain."

I'll leave

the rest to

you.

Milestone Media

This is a list of

books scheduled to be in stores this week from Milestone Media.

Static #44-\$2.50, Virgil's new school year begins.

Vertigo

This is a list of books scheduled to be in stores this week from Vertigo.

The Books of Magic #33-\$2.50, Tim stumbles into a ghost town populated by cowboys and indians who gave their lives making bad westerns.

Essential Vertigo: the Sandman #7-\$1.95, Morpheus confronts Dr. Destiny.

House of Secrets #5-2.50, Rain is forced to stalk the halls of the house of Secrets.



Leold (leold@javanet.com)

by Roger and Salem Salloom ©1996

I hang out with different groups of friends at different times.

For years I've had this one group. But we don't know each other's last names.

We're really good

friends...

go to places, parties, sports,...

we sing, "Happy birthday

to you, dear Connie..."

Connie who? Who cares!

I know another group,

and they don't even know each

other's first names. No kidding.

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You!

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Hey

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Arts & Entertainment

Dining Out the College Way With Trish and Roula.

After a long day of Christmas shopping, we stopped in Charley's Saloon, in the Greendale mall, for a nice, hot meal.

The hostess and hostess in training sat us at a booth by the window, overlooking the snowed-in parking lot. Above us hung the stuffed heads of Bambi's parents and some bright white Christmas lights. The place was packed with starving shoppers and the meal, quite understandably, took longer than we had expected. After a while, Roula took out her press pass and muscled up the staff, then things started getting done... Just kidding... The waitress was actually very professional and kept her cool throughout the whole experience.

Trish had a cup of coffee and I had a cup of the iced tea in hopes that the lemon in it would help my cold. It didn't work. I had the Baked Boneless Chicken (Charley's Favorite) for \$8.99. This is a generous portion of plump, fresh, boned 1/2 chicken with Charley's unique corn bread stuffing, creamy chicken gravy, cranberry sauce, and

real fresh mashed potatoes. Yummy! The chicken was as the menu said fresh, plump, and just right. The mashed potatoes were excellent with the right amount of butter. The gravy had no lumps but hey, didn't they say something about cranberry sauce. Oh, they probably get sick of making it right after Thanksgiving. It's a good thing I don't much care for it. The stuffing wasn't as bad as Trish will tell you.

I ordered a cup of coffee and Charley's fish fry (\$7.99). While we were waiting, the waitress brought over some warm bread and butter. Our meals arrived just in time as I engulfed the last piece of bread. The fresh scrod, lightly breaded, served with Idaho fries, lemon and tartar sauce was absolutely delicious. The scrod was hot and moist and the fries were crispy. As I was savoring the meal, I discovered a foreign fry in the land of tartar. To my dismay, it wasn't one of mine and I kindly returned it to its owner. Everyone thanked me for the valorous rescue and the meal went on. Roula asked me

to taste the stuffing... @!?!*...that sums it up!

Expect a wide variety of dishes including Mexican fajitas, Pasta, Beef, Southern Country Barbecue, and even a vegetarian plate. Wasn't there deer up on the wall??? Dinner prices are slightly more expensive than the lunch plates but hopefully they are also in larger portions.

Charley's Saloon is a little more expensive than the other places we've reviewed so far but it is well worth your time and money. Our bill came up to \$20.98 for the two of us including tax.

Charley's is a great place to dine at and I

know I'll be back soon. Hope to see you there!



P.S. Last week, I wrote that I was running an errand during lunch at Leo's Ristorante and it was brought to my attention that I had piqued the curiosity of our readers. So, for those of you who wished to know, I was getting my car inspected... I hope no one is disappointed. The rumors that I may have been robbing a bank can now stop....Thank you!

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Poetry Page

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The sound of her high heels
against the hard wood floors
was music to my ears
I turned and looked into her
dazzling blue eyes
Her supple, red, glossy lips
pouted and then smiled
She embraced me like the
long lost love that I was
Her warm and inviting bosom
greeted me like a car dealer
Cumbersome, but friendly enough
Her long, silky, muscular legs
supported her with elegance
Gracefully, we kissed
...and then paused...
We looked at each other deeply
and then she said "Do I know you?"
"Uh, I dont know?" I replied
"Does anyone really know anyone?"
I added with a philosophical twist
"I'm sorry. I must have mistaken you
for someone else," she said with a smile
"Who would you like me to be?"
"Who are you?" she asked putting one
hand on my shoulder
"I'm...I'm Batman, but dont tell anyone, okay?"
"Okay," she replied casually
and we joined hands and walked away
"You're my kind of woman!" I said with
a smile...

Christopher M. Smith

Mickey Mouse bought
bought a gun at the U.S. Army
surplus store.

it was \$3.95

He killed Donald Suck,
cap to his head, now laying
on the kitchen floor.

it was 3:17 A.M.

- soapy fidewater

"Love and Power"

love and power are probably the two
most powerful forces in the universe

but what is the difference
between them?

Power is usually the force that
dominates over people with fear

Most of the time it cares little for
the people it hurts or destroys in its wake

That is why power is constantly being
destroyed by people who fear it no longer

But, Love is a force for caring that must be
dealt with very carefully and very slowly

It can awaken those feelings that you keep
buried deep inside your heart

It can unite two people into a bond
that only grows stronger with time

But for it to work properly it must never be
abused by people or it becomes like power

You see Power is fleeting, but if done
properly Love can and will conquer all.

let me paint for you
a mural of -
sunset
red and white
ochres and umbers
let my hand
orchestrate
a symphony
pleasing to your eyes
ears
heart

I have heard what you cannot
seen what your eyes cannot
gone where you cannot
dreamt what you cannot
experienced what you cannot
felt what the heart cannot
you'll know no hurt
know no fear
know no sadness
know no tears
cascading waterfall
from my eyes
shower
your personal mural
because you have seen
what people cannot. . .
my heart.

- sirus mc

"Imagining your Funeral"

thick viscous breath

pressing hard . . .

numb fingers

pressing hard against

wet stone,

scraped raw of skin . . .

i remember it as a masquerade . . .

a vast melodic cosmic procession . .

your pale face contrasts the hyacinths

and velvet bedding

quiet

as still birth . . .

touching

your cool hand

we trace obsidian beads

desperately gazing inward,

each of us

pretending . .

not to see each other

- Keith vezeau

my eyes followed the monotonous yellow
which coated the squarely divided concrete
all the way to the opening in the corner.
when I looked to see through the glass
window, i saw one of the most beautiful
sunset of the year. it seemed like
a great drive-in moviescreen set behind
the freshmen dorms beyond the mountainside
to which the airport calls home. For a
quick moment, i no longer felt trapped
in the library, and could care less if
Freedom Rock 2 would be sold in stores
this christmas.

DAMAGE?
by christina bullone
dedicated to Ms. Gareau

crazy
go inside
see that line never stops
stress
can you feel it
surrounds me
sucking the life right out of me
no break
tired
sleepless
mass confusion of thoughts run my
mind
everyday
same ol' shit
work
run
don't stop cuz i'm not done
get away
impossible
life is just a task
no time for me
only time for hell
the non stop
crazy life i lead
freedom?
what's that?
don't know
never experienced it
taken for granted
yup that's me
no appreciation shown
no cares for the girl who
works all day
tries to sleep at night
fuck that
break the chains
someday
i'll be gone
oh no!
what will you do?
the slave will be gone
give me a break
no
well then screw
see what happened
to the little girl
you once knew
she's gone
life took her over
our big ball of
stress
anger
bitterness
try to change me back
it won't work
the damage is already done.

Poetry Page

Caffeinated Canines

In a far away distant land
 flagrant complacency was a way of life
 Yes indeed!
 A lease to own bleached bone wasteland
 except for a small colony
 of four-legged inhabitants
 Home of the caffeine junky chiwawas
 They could be found among the rusty metal roses
 Grazing in open pastures of candy bars
 as far as the eye could see
 The cranberry sun hung high in the molasses sky
 All of the spirited little dogs were happy
 Until one very hot day...the chocolate melted
 and the oceans of coffee dried up
 Frantic chiwawas scurried about howling
 Without caffeine it was pandemonium
 The mass withdrawal symptoms were tumultuous
 Cranky, strung-out chiwawas everywhere
 Fights began to break out as frustration increased
 Suddenly, the sky changed to a dark shade of cocoa
 A single bon bon fell from above.
 Many more followed creating a chocolate storm
 Elated chiwawas resumed their festive consumption
 and the bleak wasteland was transformed
 into a chocolate covered chiwawa heaven!

Christopher M. Smith

Fantasy land...

A tender kiss from your lips,
 A gentle touch from your hand,
 Sends me to a distant,
 Yet not so far away land.

A land where you and I
 Can always be one.
 Where time does not fly,
 While sitting in an eternal summer
 sun.

Tears do not exist,
 Except when due to laughter,
 Endlessly embraced in passionate
 kiss.

In this, my land of happy ever af-
 ter.

Oh, how I wish this land to be true.
 That you and I are never far apart.
 Because you should know, I will
 always love you,
 In the fantasy land of my heart.

-L.W.Y.

CLASS

the minutes go by slowly
 the seconds last for days
 O.K when will i get out of here
 and let my mind be saved?
 my eyes are growing heavy
 my body growing weak
 hopefully i'll get out of here
 before i fall asleep.

~scorpion~

inspired by the poetry of T.N.

loneliness you once told me you knew,
 inside and out, its embracement of you;
 you're surrounded completely; all feelings forbidden
 like an eclipse, it keeps you well hidden;
 or like a cell, so stone cold and lonely
 you are imprisoned, it's what you know only;
 who would want in, you wonder at night
 when it has you in mercy, when you surrender its fight;
 a mask of laughter, behind it resides
 loneliness; loneliness taints your insides.

~ by robyn

this is it. it's
 time to leave
 my friends
 my lovers

but there is one

who i will miss most.

my Miss Butterfly social-light
 the smile in my thursdays.
 the tease in my tuesdays
 the dream in my nights
 she is always just distant
 and she is always just close
 perfectly positional
 to miss the most

bye robyn

-soapy tidewater



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Dear Prospective Member:

Liberia should have a special place in the conscience of the United States of America. Its impetus to become a nation came from the United States. For 149 years, it was a stalwart ally of the United States. Yet for the past years, as a civil war has taken almost 200,000 lives, displaced more than two-thirds of the population and destroyed its infrastructure, the United States has treated this great tragedy as a regional problem.

Liberia has a unique historical and cultural link to the United States. Settled by African Americans, many of them former slaves, in the early decades of the 19th century, Liberian became a republic in 1847. The United States influence on Liberia is reflected the African nation's constitution, the star and stripes of its red, white and blue flag, the structure of its government, the names of its cities, its schools' curriculum, its official language and the remarkable degree of good will its citizens feel toward America. Through all the major conflicts of the 20th century, Liberians been among the most dependable allies of the United States. In both World Wars, Liberia declared war on the enemies of the United States and offered vital air bases, ports, and natural resources to support the United States military. During the Cold War, Liberia voted with the United States on every significant resolution at the United Nations, It hosted facilities for electronic monitoring and became the largest base for United States intelligence-gathering in Africa.

Yet when Liberia's security was most at risk because of civil conflict the United States government deferred to ECOWAS, an under-funded regional organization composed of some of the world's poorest nations. Half of the \$10 million earmarked by the United States to support a peacekeeping force had not been committed by April 1996. Meanwhile, the cost to the United States of responding to the humanitarian crisis since 1990 has been emergency relief assistance valued at over \$445 million, over \$66 million provided in the past year alone, more than eight times the amount committed to peacekeeping.

In the absence of a viable security plan, the torrent of refugees continues to undermine Liberia's relations with its immediate neighbors. Though the United States has implored those nations to admit Liberian refugees, its own record of Liberian admissions decies the long relationship with that nation.

The approach to achieving peace in Liberian has revolved around the ECOWAS process for six years. This process has, in turn, been dependent on a core group of ECOWAS nations with the will and very limited resources to engage in diplomacy or to commit forces for peacekeeping. Fourteen peace agreements have been largely brokered without the United States and other international parties, such as the United Nations or OAU, present with ECOWAS as working partners at the negotiating table. The result of this agreements and the resources, and leverage, necessary for successful implementation, This failure to produce a concerted approach to all aspects of the peace process, from mediation to negotiation and implementation, produced the tragic results that we have witnessed in Liberia.

On August 17 the Economic Community of West African States(ECOWAS) concluded meetings that provide a new timetable for the peace process. Starting August 20, the warring factions are to observe a cease-fire, dismantle checkpoints and withdraw from zones of combat. The peacekeeping force, expanding from 8500 to 18000 troops, is to deploy throughout Liberia in November. Demobilization is to be completed by January 31. Elections are to be held on May 31 with a turnover to an elected government on June 15. The revised plan calls for sanctions against members of the warring factions that obstruct the peace process. Sanctions include restrictions on travel, freeze on economic activities, exclusion from electoral process, and war crime charges.

Now the United States has another opportunity to assert its international leadership at a critical juncture to ensure that the success of the new peace process. This leadership will not lead to an involvement of United States troops. It does mean that the United States must heighten its diplomatic efforts to help coordinate the process of peace and gather the funding that is necessary for effective peacekeeping and demobilization in Liberia.

The United States should take the necessary steps to ensure that its commitment of \$30 million to support the ECOMOG peacekeeping force is obligated before the end of the fiscal year 1996. While the United States pledge of \$30 million is a step in the right direction it will not alone enable a doubling of ECOMOG to the 18,000 troops necessary for deployment by November. It is vital that the United States provide additional funds to make up this shortfall or take the lead to obtain significant pledges from other donor countries.

A top priority of the United States should be the implementation of a serious program for demobilizing Liberia's combatants. Regretfully, no additional funding has been pledged by the United States to improve what was an inadequately funded and designed demobilization plan. In fact, some of the funds allocated in early 1996 for reintegration of Liberia's 60,000 combatants have been diverted elsewhere. The United States should take the lead in designing a comprehensive demobilization program. This program will not involve United States troops, but should include the resources for every stage of demobilization from encampment to training and counseling of combatants. A contribution of \$20 million (non-food related) from the United States will provide the resources necessary to initiate a wellconceived demobilization program and encourage future contributions from other international donors.

President Clinton and the United States Congress must make Liberia a priority on our foreign relations agenda in Africa. United State leadership is critical if the key elements are to be achieved on schedule under the new peace plan. This leadership will not lead to an involvement of United States troops. It does mean that the United States through its Special Envoy, must heighten its diplomatic efforts to coordinate the implementation of the peace process and gather the additional resources necessary for effective peacekeeping and demobilization.

The United States should strengthen the response of the international community to the needs of the peace process. The foundation for a new international approach to the peace process already exists with the International Contact Group for Liberia, the group of donor countries that have pledged support to the peace process. The concept behind the ICGL should be expanded to a tightly coordinated partnership that includes the United States, ECOWAS, and the United Nations. This high level of cooperation will ensure that scarce resources are effectively utilized.

The outbreak of fighting in Monrovia in April-May of 1996 was the latest in a series of clashes in Liberia's intractable war. During the past nearly seven years, the war has produced shocking humanitarian conditions for Liberian civilians. The most recent fighting exacerbated even further these conditions. Humanitarian assistance organizations have been unable to deliver food and other emergency services because of the fighting in Monrovia. Their resources looted by gangs of combatants and the safety of their relief workers threatened, these organizations closed or dramatically reduced their operations in Liberia.

As a result of the civil war in Liberia, an estimated 800,000 Liberians are internally displaced; another 800,000 are refugees in neighboring countries that are among the poorest in the world. Approximately 50 % of the population in Monrovia, upwards of 350,000 persons, were forced to flee their homes due to the April-May fighting and another 3,000 died. During June-July some 3,300 new cases of cholera were reported in Monrovia and a July survey found malnutrition rates for children in displaced shelters have increased up to 25%.

Now that the dust of the Civil War in Liberia is settling down, an era of a NEW LIBERIA is at hand. Whether anyone likes it or not, an leadership is bound to emerge, supposedly to shoulder the national responsibilities of politics and administration and to ensure the continued survival of the Liberian people and culture.

That such leadership will be genuine and committed is a matter that you as Liberians and friends of Liberia can decide, or at least influence. But choosing national leadership is a serious and difficult business. In Liberia, bombed-out homes and shops are painful reminders of what happens when leaders are chosen unwisely. We cannot allow this to happen again. This is why the Liberian Social Justice Foundation is campaigning for PEACE, SECURITY, SOCIAL, ECONOMIC, EDUCATIONAL AND POLITICAL JUSTICE IN LIBERIA.

The Liberian Social Justice Foundation has carefully examined the administrative and operational policies of both the past and present administration in Liberia, and in our candid opinion, much more needs to be done to help Liberia go in the direction she needs to go. We as Liberians must try to have a positive influence on the selection of the national programs and the corresponding leadership which will inevitably affect our lives and the lives of our people for many years to come.

My fellow Liberians and Friends of Liberia, the Liberian Social Justice Foundation has embarked on a mission to ensure that PEACE, UNITY, SECURITY, FREEDOM AND SOCIAL JUSTICE prevail in Liberia. This is an awesome responsibility that can only occur if we cooperate as a team. History will judge us not by what we say, but by what we do. With God and the determined mind, there is nothing we cannot achieve for our Liberian Society. It is in this light that I urge you to support and contribute to the Liberian Social Justice Foundation's programs.

Liberia, the African nation established in the 1800s by freed American slaves, has been torn by civil war since 1989. What does the Liberian Civil War meanto Americans in terms of health care, humanitarian relief, stability throughout Africa and the continuation of missionary work? If you share in the dream of peace in Liberia, a country founded upon American ideals, you are invited to become more informed by writing to the LIBERIAN SOCIAL JUSTICE FOUNDATION, POST OFFICE BOX 31438, CINCINNATI, OHIO 45231. (513) 931-1872.

I am writing to introduce you to the Liberian Social Justice Foundation, Inc., a broad-based social nonprofit organization. The mission of the LSJFI is two-fold: we are dedicated to restoring a just and stable society in Liberia, and to improving the quality of life for all Liberians, both at home and abroad.

On behalf of our members, I appeal to you for financial assistance in support of LSJF activities. An application for membership is included which contains a breakdown of membership fees. Please know that any amount you can contribute will be helpful to us. Your support of the Foundation, and your awareness of its concerns is deeply appreciated. Should you have any questions or suggestions, please feel free to write us or call. Thank you for your time, your contribution, and your generosity. Checks and money orders should be made payable to the Liberian Social Justice Foundation, Inc.

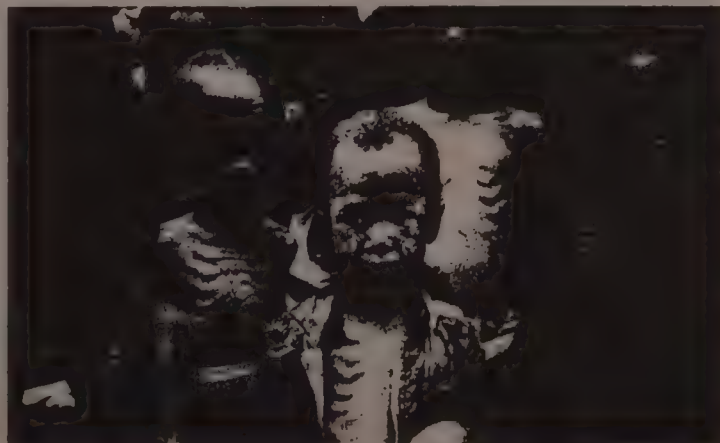
Best regards,

Edwin G.K. Zoedua
Executive Director/Chairman

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Faces of hunger in Liberia

Liberian children await arrival of a food convoy in Tubmanburg, 50 miles north of Monrovia. The city was cut off for months by fighting. People surrounded the trucks Wednesday; when bags of wheat were opened, they grabbed handfuls and ate it uncooked. *World/A8*



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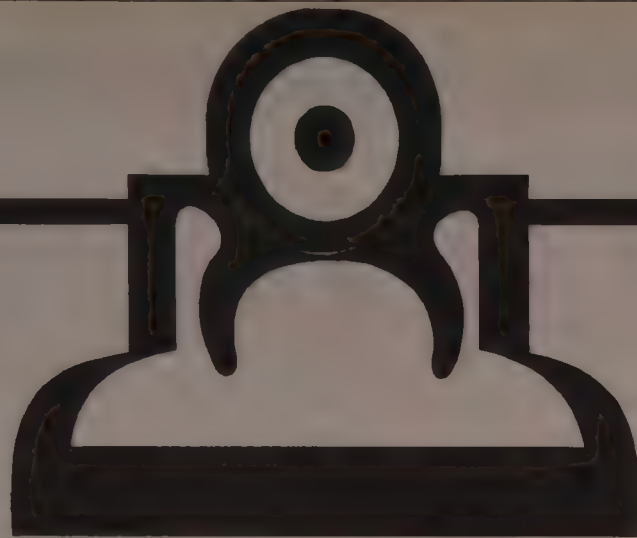
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"I have a Dream, that one day on the red hills of Georgia, sons of former slaves and the sons of former slave owners will be able to sit down together at the table of brotherhood. I have a Dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by color of their skin, but by the content of their character. This is our hope. This is the faith that I go back to the South with. With this faith, we will be able to hew out of the mountain of despair a stone of Hope."

The Dream is not dead...



CALENDAR

Thursday, Jan. 23

- Campus Ambassadors Spaghetti Dinner at 5:30pm
- WSCW Benefit Concert at 7pm
- Ice Hockey vs. Sacred Heart at 7pm

Friday, Jan. 24

- Lecture on Zoology by Prof. Terry Graham in the Faculty Lounge at 2:30pm

Saturday, Jan. 25

- Martin Luther King Breakfast at 8:30 in the Gym
- Men's Basketball vs. North Adams State at 4pm
- Women's Basketball vs. North Adams State at 2pm
- Ice Hockey Alumni game at 7pm

Sunday, Jan. 26

- Superbowl Sunday!!!
- Australia Day (Australia)

Monday, Jan. 27

- The Dave Spencer Show premieres on WSCW at 8:00 am!!

Tuesday, Jan. 28

- Last day to drop classes
- B.A.C.C.H.U.S.' Stress Reduction Program at 7pm in the Student Center
- Ice Hockey vs. UMass-Dartmouth at 7pm

Wednesday, Jan. 29

- SEC Psychic Fair, 10am-2pm in the Student Center
- Campus Ministry Pasta Supper at 6pm

Thursday, Jan. 30

- Campus Ambassadors Spaghetti Dinner at 5:30pm
- Senior Class 100 Day Countdown in One Lancer Place
- Frosh Concert: Life in General
- Ice Hockey vs. Quinnipac at 7pm

Friday, Jan. 31

- TWA New Year DJ Dance, 9pm-1am

Saturday, Feb. 1

- Men's Basketball vs. St. Joseph's at 2pm

Tuesday, Feb. 4

- Men's Basketball vs. Salem State at 8pm
- Women's Basketball vs. Salem State at 6pm
- Ice Hockey vs. North Adams State at 7pm

Thursday, Feb. 6

- Ice Hockey vs. Plymouth State at 7pm

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EDITORIAL PAGE

The Soapbox

Well, we are once again drawn to this institution, where we will one day, God willing, graduate and hopefully be able to find a job before we have to start repaying our student loans.

By the time you read this, you've dropped and added all the classes that you are going to, you've purchased your books, you've decided which classes to skip as a hobby, and which classes to skip as a lifestyle. But I digress...

The point of this week's column, which is most important to those graduating, but should never be far from the thoughts of any students under it, is financial aid. Much of what is given out from the Financial Aid Office is in the form of loans. Whether or not they are subsidized or unsubsidized, you have nine months to sit around on your butt before beginning to pay off the loan.

The problem is, of course, the job situation, which is this: there are none. Or at least none that we're willing to take. This leads many into default, which leads to higher interest rates next time around for the rest of the students. We assume that a degree means that we can only take a job that falls under that degree.

All of us need to learn to take responsibility for our debts. If you can't find your dream job, get off your ass, go down to "McDonalds," or the local "Price Chop-

pers," get a demeaning and humiliating job, for bad pay, and worse hours, and suck it up while you look for a job. At the very least you'll be able to pay off your interest every month, but hopefully also be able to a nice chunk of your loan off as well.

A problem that affects many is accepting way too much on their loans. If you're offered \$6,000 for the year, and you live with your parents, you should only need to take about half of that. Yet many take the full amount, and instead of a loan of about \$1,500, you get a loan of \$4,500, not a small difference.

As I've said before, it comes down to playing it smart, and then taking responsibility for what you've done. Good Luck finding jobs, Class of 1997.

David Spencer
Editor-in-Chief

MASSPIRG Update

Welcome Back! We hope your holidays were relaxing. As we enter into our second semester of the year, I wanted to take a moment to update you on MASSPIRG's fall accomplishments, as well as fill you in on what students will be working on this semester.

Last semester was certainly a busy and rewarding one as student volunteers helped to collect over two tons of food and clothing for a local women's shelter, we educated the campus and local community about toxics in our everyday lives, helped to register hundreds of student voters in a coalition with SGA, TWA, L'Biga and Dean Joseph's office, and a whole lot more. This year we have enjoyed working with some very strong and talented student leaders as we continue our mission to preserve the environment, promote democracy, protect consumers, and develop student leaders.

Last semester, students from across the state choose to work on 2 state-wide campaigns for this Spring: Hunger and Homelessness and the Updated Bottle Bill. Volunteers and interns will be working on Operation Clean-City, where we hope to work with many student groups and community members to raise money for the hungry and homeless.

In addition, students will be helping to pass a Massachusetts Updated Bottle Bill. Through education, coalition building, polling, petitioning, and other fun campus wide events, students will be a force as we try to update one of the best recycling bills in the nation. In addition, we will be working on Earth Day, and expanding campus recycling.

If you are interested in getting involved with any of our programs contact Ajayi Harris, MASSPIRG Campus Organizer, through Student Activities.

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Letters to the Editor are accepted in response to anything you see in the paper or any other relevant topic. Letters to the Editor will only be published if they are signed with a verifiable name.

Now that you've survived the fall semester, why not join one of the many student Organizations! Major Organizations and Clubs exist with a variety of purposes, including SEC, WSCW, TV-11, Ski Club, L'Biga, TWA, RHPC, and, of course, the Student Voice. Below is a list of Organizations and their contact persons. You can reach them by writing a note and putting it in the appropriate mailbox on the mezzanine level of the Student Center.

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Newman	Robert Young	Third World Alliance	Yessenia Matos
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CAMPUS NEWS

Voice Finally Prints Keynote Speech From Senior Capping

Due to popular demand, we've decided to print Edna Spencer's keynote address from Senior Capping. We apologize for the lateness, but we did not receive a copy until mid-December.

November 21, 1996

President Ghosh, Platform Party, colleagues, families and friends, Good evening, and a very special good evening to the Senior Class, and I thank you for giving me the honor of being your speaker this evening, and allowing me to be a part of this important event in your lives.

When Kim came to my office, and gave me this assignment, I asked her if there was a particular issue or interest that the senior class wanted me to address, or how long was I supposed to speak. Well, Kim said we want you to cover the events of the past four years and how they will affect us as leaders, and you have fifteen minutes.

As I thought about Kim's reply and began to think about what I was going to say, I realized that I had some good news and I had some bad news. However, I believe that the good news outweighs the bad.

Let's take a very rapid fire, thumbnail look at a few of the things that have been happening, and the legacy that will pass on to you..

First I have to mention the phenomenon that will have the greatest impact of all, technology. Technology bombards us with information, it provides access and options so extensive that it is humanly possible to absorb it all. Modern technology results in things evolving so rapidly that obsolescence has become a way of life, and humankind, a species that struggles to avoid change, must now deal with major changes on a daily basis.

Things that we once accepted as facts of life that we had little control over are no longer that simplistic. The events of birth and dying are good examples. Now there is extensive discussion about the pros and cons of biogenetics, artificial insemination has become almost routine. And in spite of abortion laws, disagreement, that too often results in violence, continues about the right of a fetus to be born, and a woman's right to choose. At this very moment, legal opinions are being written in an effort to determine a person's right to make an individual decision to end his or her life when the pain of living becomes too great.

Scandal is rampant in America, in every branch of the military, and from the lowest to the highest levels of our Government and major corporations. And worse still, the foundations of our faith have been shaken by scandal.

We hunger for heroes and find ourselves dealing with a level of mean spiritedness and divisiveness that has placed our nation in crisis. Militia groups, have sprung up and become strong from coast to coast. Their message is very clear. Two hundred Americans died as a result of terrorist acts last year, and as if that isn't horrible enough, many of the terrorists who are responsible for those deaths, are themselves Americans.

There are those who say that thirty years of Affirmative Action is enough. They tell us that the damage caused by hundreds of years of slavery followed by many more years of legislated discrimination has been eradicated, and the playing field is now level. All one has to do is work, and apply

oneself to succeed. Yet, in the past week we have heard of the worst kinds of discrimination occurring, and being condoned on our military bases and in one of our major corporations.

Last Sunday's Boston Globe had an extensive story on the sexual harassment that has been occurring on military bases. On one page of that article there was a picture of female soldiers standing and listening to instructions from a male soldier. The caption read, "Lt. Col. (John Doe) discusses ways to avoid situations that could lead to sexual harassment, with women recruits last week at Aberdeen." And I thought, "they still don't get it!" That picture should have shown the Lt. Col. talking to a room full of men. And the caption should have read; Lt.

Col. tells men under his command, that no form of sexual harassment will be tolerated at this military installation! Those women need to be able to focus their energy and attention on becoming the best soldiers they can be. Because someday their lives may depend on those skills. Why should women have to always be distracted being concerned with trying to remember a lot of ridiculous things to do in order to avoid the bad boys? That's just another form of discrimination.

And there's Texaco, a corporate giant. I believe it's safe to assume that their CEO is a relatively bright person; yet he would have us believe that he was shocked and thoroughly appalled to discover that such bla-

tant discrimination had been occurring within his organization. Surely he must have noticed that all of the individuals on his decision making teams appeared to be the same color, and when he called his middle and senior managers together and looked out at that sea of faces, he must have realized that there weren't a lot of flavors to choose from. What message is he really sending? Is it that it's OK, as long as you don't get caught?

I know that corporations are not altruistic, they aren't intended to be. Businesses exist to make money, and I don't have a problem with that. I happen to be very fond of money. However, wouldn't it have been

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CAMPUS NEWS

Mid-Year Madness Hits WSC

By David Spencer
Editor-in-Chief

Over the winter break, on Friday and Saturday, January 10 and 11, members of many student organizations converged on the WSC student center for the first annual "Mid-Year Madness" leadership development conference.

The conference was put on by the Student Government Association, with help from many WSC staff members.

The conference began at 4:30 PM on Friday night with a dinner and short speeches by Senate Chairperson Ken Bouchard, SGA

President Ginger Sullivan, and Dean of Student Development Paul Joseph.

There were several workshops. There was one on how to increase your creativity for events sponsored by your organization, which was run by Julianna Taylor. Which was followed by a workshop on organizational unity run by Ginger Sullivan. A third workshop was on creativity and was run by Chrissy Maynard. All of the workshops were fun and informational.

The main activity of the conference was the "Madness Task," in which several groups, each made up their own organization, and created an event for the school,

and had to produce a 5 to 7 minute skit to advertise it. Each group was given a group of three completely unrelated words on the first night which had to be used in their skit. Then they would receive a wacky object the next day at lunch which also had to be used in their skit.

"Fi-Ché" produced a skit based on the celebration of the anniversary of some Idahoans coming to WSC, and exchanging gifts (a ficus plant and a chicken, hence the name Fi-Ché) with other students.

Another group, the "Sexhibitionists," apparently a takeoff on a previous name for the Student Events Committee, played their

skit as a TV news review of a murder mystery play coming to WSC.

Other groups did take-offs on the "\$25,000 Pyramid," and the Energizer Bunny. "Everyone who went did a great job participating," according to Senate Chair Bouchard.

Due to the snow on Saturday morning, not all members were able to attend the second day, and a motivational speaker scheduled to be there could not attend, but other than that the program went off very well. Bouchard felt "that it (the conference) was a great success."

Student Events Committee

Psychic Fair

Wednesday, January 29

From 10am-2pm in the Student Center

Thank-you

To all the student leaders
who participated and supported
Mid-Year Madness

See you next year

The Student Senate

Capping

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a very astute business move for Texaco to make sure that it's middle and senior management teams were somewhat reflective of it's market? It certainly would have been less costly.

We just held a national election, were you paying attention, better still, did you exercise your right, your privilege, your responsibility to vote? It is inconceivable to me that less than half, 49%, of eligible American citizens, in this troubled land, bothered to go to the polls. News Anchorman Tom Brokaw, speaking about this indifference, said, "if we don't sell hard the idea of participation, we will be left with a system beholden only to the highly motivated, very narrowly defined special interest." I would add, nothing could be more threatening to our democracy.

We watch commercials from American based charities, that show the poverty and suffering in so called third world countries. They show children with large sad eyes, and swollen bellies. They don't tell you that there are more children in America who also have large sad eyes, and swollen bellies. In America, there are more than 2 million children suffering from abuse and neglect. Serious injury to children has soared in the past few years and the numbers continue to climb. One in every five children in the U.S. is poor, for children under six, the rate is one in four. Two of three poor children live in a working poor family, and poverty rates are highest among inner-city and rural children.

The largest ethnic group of poor children is white, they constitute 41%. However, a black child is more likely to be poor than a white of Latino child. And, poverty rates are growing fastest among Latino and Asian children. In one of the richest countries in the world there are more than 14 million poor children, our number surpasses those

of many third world nations. And our infant mortality rate for inner cities also surpasses the rates of some third world nations. Disease and violent death are at epidemic levels in our inner cities. Children are dying from curable diseases, only because they are poor and do not have access to medical care.

Now we are hearing about Brown Fields, vacant lots abandoned by manufacturers. Inner city kids play in these lots, the problem is that many of the lots are toxic and contribute to the already dangerous health problems faced by these youngsters. We cannot afford to lose so many children. A nation that neglects its children forecloses on its tomorrows.

I must also tell you that you won't have the kind of job security that generations before you had. Corporate pension plans are disappearing and medical benefits aren't as certain as they once were. Downsizing has become an annual corporate process. In addition, the discussion continues around Social Security, and in spite of some adjustments, Social Security for future generations may be very different from the program currently in effect.

What a legacy we are handing you, but I promised you some good news. And there is very good news.

We know that with the right leadership, America can eliminate poverty within it borders by the year 2000. We must stop sending jobs out of the country, and bring them back to the neighborhoods to provide work for Americans that pay, not minimum wages, but living wages, so that working men and women have the means to provide for their families. There can be no Glass Ceiling for anyone, and there must be equal opportunity and economic justice for all citizens. And all organizations must operate in a way that is environmentally safe. We don't

need more Brown Fields.

We also know that this planet is more than capable of providing for all its inhabitants. The technology is already available to allow us to harvest and harness the oceans in a way that has never been possible before. Efforts are already underway to learn more about the resources of our rain forest, and of course we must stop destroying them. Your generation may very well provide the explorers who take on that last earthbound frontier and fully reveal its wonders and healing powers.

Some nations of the world are beginning to realize that war is no longer a method that can be used to boost the economy, war has become too toxic, too costly in lives and dollars. So nations are grudgingly beginning to talk to one another, the process is slow and difficult, but it is good. Your leadership must reinforce those efforts. It has been said many times, if we do not learn to live together in peace, we will surely die together.

Those of you who rise to the top will be leaders in a nation of citizens, I believe, who will question your decisions. You will not give the order and watch them charge the hill. They will ask, why are we charging, and what will the results be? They will hold their leaders accountable, and that is very good. Because when the people question, the people lead, and when the people lead, the passion that drives participation occurs.

If America is to retain its position of power in the world, you must insist on having nothing less than an educated citizenry. This nation cannot afford to have 27 million functionally illiterate people walking its streets. Your generation must be strong advocates for education, especially public education. You are products of public education, you know it can work. America's

public education system, K through 16, should be second to none in the world. To achieve that goal, it needs your support. Once you receive your degree don't abandon your college, it will continue to need your energy, your ideas and your financial support. Education is truly the key that opens the doors to understanding, world peace, and economic justice.

During the recent election I listened to one of the candidates talk about all that he had accomplished during the past four years. And one of the things that he was most proud of was his work to acquire funding to build new jails. With all due respect to the Senator, building jails is equivalent to putting a band-aid on a festering cancer. It costs from 27 to 32,000 dollars a year to incarcerate an individual, that's expensive. It's a waste of tax dollars and valuable human resources, because in fact, it does little or nothing to reduce or stop crime. If it did, jails would not be bursting at the seams.

On the other hand, countless studies have proven that when inmates are provided with access to education, the recidivism rate drops. Isn't it better to educate them, so that they can become working, self-supporting, contributing members of society? Your generation must be builders of schools, not jails, so that one day we will be confronted with the problem of under-utilized penal institutions.

Class of 1997, you are workforce 2000, you are tomorrow's leaders and change agents, among you are our future heroes. Unlike any generation before you, you have access to all the knowledge and technology you will need to bring this nation to a point where, for the first time in its existence, it truly lives up to its creed.

God bless each of you and I wish you every success.

CAMPUS NEWS

Worcester State College Invites Locals to Join Musical Tour of Italy

The locally renowned Worcester State College Chorale invites Worcester-area residents to join them on a 10-day musical tour of Italy.

The a capella group of male and female singers will visit Rome, Venice, and Florence in May, performing and sightseeing in each city. Limited space is available for others who are interested in an inexpensive tour of the ancient country; no connection to the college or musical knowledge is necessary.

The \$1,800 trip includes travel, hotel, an English-speaking guide, and bus tours, all breakfasts and some dinners.

The musical highlights of the trip include a possible appearance before Pope John Paul

II and a planned performance of Claudio Monteverdi's "Magnificat a Sei Voci" at St. Mark's, the largest cathedral in Venice.

"It will be a dream come true," says Chorale Director and Music Professor Christie Nigro, "because 'Magnificat' was conceived specifically for that space."

The 20-member Chorale embarked on two previous international tours to the Czech Republic/Austria and to England/Scotland, where they performed at Coventry Cathedral and other historic locations. "We've brought along people from outside Worcester State before, and everyone has had a wonderful time," Nigro says. "Music is a universal language and it opens up a lot of doors."

The Chorale spans time and space in its

musical selections, from early Renaissance madrigals to contemporary pop. "I treat members of the Chorale like professionals," Nigro says. "The music is technically challenging—it's hard work, but it pays off."

Nigro began the group when she joined the WSC faculty in 1989, and it has come to be considered in the same light as Ivy League groups due to the high level of musical difficulty. The Chorale, which placed as a finalist in the National Collegiate Choral Competition, and is soon expecting the release of its first compact disc, has performed at the inauguration ceremony for Worcester Mayor Raymond Mariano, and at last month's televised ordination of Father S. T. Sutton in Ware. The Chorale has also accepted invitations to paid perfor-

mances at the International Medieval Society Conference, the National Conference of Christians and Jews, and at weddings and other celebrations in the region.

Nigro holds a B.Mus in performance cello and voice from Syracuse University, a master's degree in cello from Yale, and is a Ph.D. candidate at UMass-Amherst. Her thesis, titled "Chamber Music of George Whitefield Chadwick," discusses the chamber music of the neglected early 20th-century American composer who was predecessor to Aaron Copeland.

Anyone interested in joining the tour of Italy is asked to call Chorale Director Christie Nigro at 793-8000, ext. 8824. The Chorale is available for special events

MSAA to Award Scholarships to Students

Through a national essay competition known as PROJECT: Learn MS '97, college freshmen, sophomores and juniors can compete for an \$8,000 scholarship award and raise funds to assist those suffering from multiple sclerosis. Sponsored by the Multiple Sclerosis Association of America, PROJECT: Learn MS '97 encourages students to write a 500-1000 word essay on

multiple sclerosis, its effect of the family, and how society can improve life for the physically challenged. All essays must include an official registration form, \$7.50 in prepaid sponsorship, and must be postmarked by April 11, 1997. Students are encouraged to raise additional sponsorship money to win various prizes. For an official registration form, call MSAA at 1-800-LEARN MS.

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Paul Tsongas, 1941-1997

Paul Tsongas passed away last Saturday evening at 7PM of liver failure resulting from his long fight with cancer, and his recent bout with pneumonia.

Tsongas graduated from UMass-Dartmouth and went on to receive a law degree from Yale. He also spent three years in the Peace Corps, in Ethiopia.

The son of Greek immigrants, Tsongas chose to follow the tough road of politics, becoming a city councillor in his native Lowell. Tsongas first ran for national Congress in 1974. He later ran for Senate in 1978.

Senator Tsongas was forced to step down from his Senate position when he was diagnosed with cancer in 1984. The Senator overcame his cancer, and later campaigned for the Presidency in 1992. He changed the focus of the campaign from rhetoric to the actual issues.

Sen. Tsongas has undergone two bone marrow transplants. Heart and liver problems are common after a transplant of this type. He was admitted to Brigham and Women's Hospital on January 3 for a heart condition. His condition worsened over time, leading to liver surgery on January 10.

Several doctors remarked that he provided inspiration to other cancer patients. One doctor stated that "Paul Tsongas would never have wanted to have a disease like this, and not fight it."

Senator Tsongas's system was not able to handle both the recovery from surgery and pneumonia.

Tsongas will be buried in his native Lowell today.

Representative Marty Meehan, like many others, has stated that "our country has lost a true leader."

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A & E

Dining Out the College Way with Trish and Roula

You're on campus, you're hungry, you want something good to eat. Are you heading to DAKA? Hell nooooo. We got in the car and took a one minute thirty-two second drive to Nancy Chang (372 Chandler St.).

The atmosphere was very nice from the elegant drapes to the grand piano. Our waiter Dave was courteous and quickly brought over our drinks. As usual Trish had a cup of coffee and I had some Coke. Not the kind you snort!! Besides, I have never inhaled...

The lunch selection is well balanced. They offer a wide variety of pork, beef, lamb, poultry, seafood, and for you, veggie lovers out there...yes! You guessed it...vegetable plates. Each day a selection of five plates are served in minutes at a cost of \$4.95. On Mondays among the choices are Oriental Chicken Salad, and Beef with Broccoli Pasta.

I had the Crispy Szechuan Beef. Let me start with saying it was delicious. It was spicy but the peppers can be sidecast in the

corner of your plate if you don't much care for spices. The plate cost \$6.50 and it include your choice of soup and any two of your selection from Lo Mein, rice and chicken appetizers. I had the hot and sour soup, and chose the vegetable Lo Mein and Chicken Wings. I never much liked the soups at oriental restaurants but I have to admit this was good. Hot but good.

I ordered the Chicken with garlic (\$5.95) served with steamed rice and Crab Rangoon. A nicely filled Crab Rangoon may I add. The rarity of this product is such that I felt the need to emphasize my surprise. The dish was very palatable thanks to the wonderful blend of chicken, vegetables and lightly sweetened garlic sauce. I'm not a big fan of oriental food but I must say that Nancy Chang has an excellent menu and the cuisine is truly delectable.

So, if you are looking for a great place to eat with reasonable prices, I strongly recommend Nancy Chang on Chandler Street, just minutes away from WSC.



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Arts & Entertainment

Art Exhibits now on Display at UMass Medical Center

Art continues to fill the halls of the University of Massachusetts Medical Center throughout January and February as photographs of area historical buildings, wooden carved mirrors and paintings go on display across the campus.

"Reflections, Portraits and Mirrors," a collection of intricately carved wooden mirrors and near life-size paintings by artists Louise Minks and John Lollar Jr., went on display in the medical school lobby Jan. 15 and continues through Feb. 21.

"Looking Back, Looking Forward," photographs and excerpts from oral history interviews with members of Worcester's African-American community, will also be on display in the school lobby from Jan. 15 through Feb. 21. This exhibit is a collaboration between the Worcester Historical

Museum and the Charles Houston Cultural Project.

Paintings by Louise Minks titled "African Album" will be on display in the Benedict Building lobby from Jan. 15 through March 2.

Other Exhibits on display concurrently include "State of the Union," photographs of Worcester's Union Station by Idamay Arsenault of Worcester appearing in the Surgical Specialties Clinic of the UMass Hospital, and "Pastel Paintings" by Nancy E. von Hone of Worcester and Amy K. Sanders of Cape Cod, on the second and third floors of Biotech II, located at 373 Plantation St.

Exhibits are open for viewing on weekdays from 9am to 5pm.

YOU ARE NOT ALONE Grief Support Program will hold a meeting at 7pm on Wednesday, February 12, 1997 in the lower church hall of Immaculate Conception Church, 353 Grove St., Worcester. Jim Kelly, Creator of the Y.A.N.A. Program, will speak on "Mourning-The Guide to Healing a Loss." The program is sponsored free of charge by Kelly Funeral Home and no registration is required. All are welcome. For more information call Jim Kelly at 755-4507.

Resistance is Futile: A Review of Star Trek: Borg

by David Spencer
Captain of the Starship Voice

Before you read any further, you should know that this software has no appearances by any member of any Starship Enterprise crew, nor does it feature appearances by stars from "Deep Space Nine" or "Voyager." It does however have good old mischievous Q, omnipotent being from the Q Continuum.

This is not a game, but rather an interactive movie. The difference is that a movie you will eventually finish even if you are a complete moron, whereas a game you may not.

The story is this. You play Cadet Furlong. 10 years ago, your father, a Lieutenant aboard the U.S.S. Righteous, was killed by the Borg at the Battle of Wolf 359. Wolf 359 is the battle in the Next Generation Episode "The Best of Both Worlds," in which Capt. Picard becomes a Borg. You are visited by Q, who gives you the chance to change history, and help your father, and the U.S.S. Righteous, survive the Battle of Wolf 359.

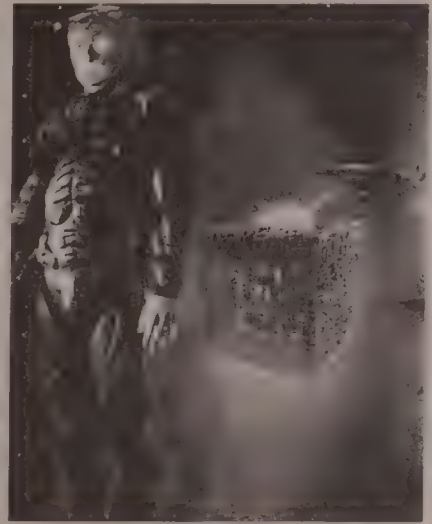
Your consciousness replaces that of Lt. Sprint, the Security Officer of the Starship Righteous. This 3 CD set contains nearly 2 hours of video clips. So you'll actually see John de Lancie as Q, who also takes the form

of Dr. Quint, the ship's doctor. Other stars include Barry Lynch as Capt. Andropov, John Cothran, Jr. as Ship's counselor Lt. Commander Biraka, Marnie McPhail as Ensign Targus, and Jeff Allin as your father, Lt. Furlong.

The game takes place in the first person perspective. The CD set also features a second program called the Picard Dossier, which has information on some interesting

points of the Star Trek Universe, such as that Wolf 359 is an actual star.

Star Trek: Borg is already available for play in stores. Windows, DOS, or Macintosh platforms come on the same CDs. For Windows 95, Windows



#1, or DOS, you will need 5MB of hard drive space, 8MB for the Picard Dossiers, a color SVGA monitor, display size 640x480, 16-bit audio card, 8MB Ram, and a double Speed CD-ROM. For Macintosh you need the same requirements, but it will work on System 7.5 or better.

If you are a fan of Star Trek (or even just of the Q), you must buy this CD. Make it so!

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Arts & Entertainment

The Comic Strip

By Dave Spencer
...And Don't Call Me 'Chief'

At the beginning of each new year, in my first column of the year, I write out my own personal list of the Top Twenty Comics of the previous year, as well as a few other categories. And now for the categories and qualifications:

Best Ongoing Series-This category is won by the ongoing title that has been the best, most consistent title on the shelves. This book must have been available since at least December 1995.

Best Mini-Series-This category is won by the limited series that has had the best writing, art, and plot. At least one issue must have a cover date from 1996. The mini-series must be at least 3/4 released by December 1996.

Best New Ongoing Series-This category is won by a new ongoing series that has stayed at the forefront of readers' lists, even in today's marketplace. January 1996 is the earliest possible cover date for the first issue, in order to be eligible for this category.

Most Improved Ongoing Series-This category is won by a title that was in decline in January, but greatly improved by December. This book must have been available since at least 1995.

Best Company-This award goes to the company with the most consistent release schedule, the best art and writing, and editorial direction.

Top Twenty Comics-This category is for the 20 best issues of 1996. These books can be one-shots or from series. All that matters is a 1996 cover date, or being released in 1996 when there is no cover date.

Now, on to the awards...

Best Ongoing Series-*Impulse* DC Comics. This series remained the best after taking home last year's best new ongoing series award because it never tries to be anything that it is not. Unlike other books that take place in small towns, there isn't the obligatory super villain in every issue, and his greatest threat is keeping his identity secret. **Runner-Up**-Green Lantern. **Worst Ongoing Series**-X-anything(Except X-Man). The X-books have really hit a

down cycle this year. Last year the X-books had arguably some of the best writing in several years with five books in the top twenty, and a runner-up award for X-Man. This year, only X-Man was able to remain solid, and it hit the same streak mid-year.

Best Mini-Series-*Kingdom Come* DC Comics. DC hit a home-run with Mark Waid's and Alex Ross' tale of Armageddon in the DC Universe. This book hit a chord with many readers with it's depiction of how the new breed of violent heroes would affect the future. **Runner-Up**-Medieval Spawn/Witchblade. **Worst Mini-Series**-Shattered Image. This thinly disguised attempt by Image to remove the Top Cow section of it's universe, quite frankly

What of course, the very last panel was actually okay when taken into account that Top Cow rejoined Image recently. It was a complete rip-off of DC's Crisis on Infinite Earths Maxi-series from 1985-86. Did anyone notice that Extreme disappeared completely without any explanation?

Best New Ongoing Series-*Hitman* DC Comics. The adventures of Tommy Monaghan, hitman for hire is what this book is about. The star of the book fortunately lives by a moral code, in which he will not kill a "good guy." With his powers of x-ray vision and telepathy, he is one of the few good heroes to come out of the whole Bloodlines annual storyline thing. **Runner-Up**-Fantastic Four. **Worst New Ongoing Series**-Avengers. This book barely beat out Capt. America for worst new series. Why? Because Rob

Liefeld cannot write or edit a monthly book. To do that takes either natural talent, or years of experience. Liefeld had neither when thousands of fans read his book because of the art alone. While he thought he was getting experience, he was learning to pander to a certain audience that no longer, for the most part, exists.

Most Improved Ongoing Series-*Flash*, DC Comics. Flash takes this one home because while it had a dip in quality, it looks like it will be improving to it's former quality soon. **Quickest Decline for an Ongoing Series**-*Stormwatch*. It's hard to believe that last year's Best Ongoing Series could decline so quickly, but the current storyline, and new heroes are

poorly

team, and this issue shows Bart learning baseball.

#19. Super*Soldier #1, Amalgam Comics, April 1996. Super*Soldier (a combination of Superman and Captain America) faces the threat of Lex Luthor's Hydra!

#18. Legion of Super-Heroes #77, DC Comics, February 1996. In this issue, readers finally get a chance to see what drives Brainiac 5.

#17. Impulse #13, DC Comics, April 1996. The basic gist of this issue is that the school tubbo, trying to be cool like Bart, keeps getting in over his head, requiring Impulse to save him, thinking he's invincible, etc.

#16. Kingdom Come #2, DC Comics, 1996. The second issue of this mini-series shows several DC heroes including what happened to Batman.

#15. Iron Man #1, Marvel Comics, November 1996. This issue of the Heroes Reborn saga featured the new origins of Iron Man and the Hulk.

#14. WildC.A.T.s #30, Image Comics (Wildstorm Entertainment), May 1996. This issue, part of the "Fire From Heaven" storyline, featured Spartan facing off against his true body, Kaizen Gammora.

#13. Doctor Strange #1, Amalgam Comics, April 1996. Doctor Strange, mystic guardian of the Amalgam Universe, tries to stop Access from restoring the DC and Marvel Universes.

#12. Spawn #50, Image Comics (Todd McFarlane Productions), June 1996. In this issue, Spawn sacrifices all hope of reconciliation with his wife when he cures Terry of his cancer.

#11. Guy Gardner: Warrior #41, DC Comics, April 1996. This issue featured two perspectives, the normal comic book one, and the pilot of Guy's new "Warrior" cartoon show.

#10. Superman: The Man of Steel #56, DC Comics, May 1996. Readers got to see a new side of Mr. Mxyzptlk, when he tries to reconcile estranged fiancées Clark Kent and Lois Lane.

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Sam Adams.
The Comic Book Cow

written, barely fleshed out, and do have any redeeming qualities. The only good came in the December issue.

Best Company-DC Comics. For the second year in a row, DC takes home the best Company award. **Runner-Up**-Cartoon Books. **Worst Company**-Marvel Comics. Marvel floundered this year, after concentrating too much on the X-books last year, which led to the removal of other poorly written series removal from fans' subscription lists.

Top Twenty Comics of 1996

#20. Impulse #20, DC Comics, December 1996. Max pushes Bart to go out for a sports

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Arts & Entertainment

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#9. *Fantastic Four #1*, **Marvel Comics**, November 1996. The best, most thought out of all the Heroes Reborn titles. 'Nuff Said.

#8. *Sigma #1*, **Image Comics (Wildstorm Entertainment)**, March 1996. This book featured the first appearance of Sigma, a hero who has all of the powers of the Gen-Actives, in the body of a teenager.

#7. *X-Man #21*, **Marvel Comics**, November 1996. This issue shows Nate using his powers to help people without causing a big super villain fight, but there is a riot.

#6. *Parallax: Emerald Night*, **DC Comics**, November 1996. In this issue, Parallax decides to save the earth and help destroy the Sun-Eater.

#5. *Batman: The Long Halloween #1*, **DC Comics**, December 1996. The beginning of the first Batman maxi-series, this book shows how Gotham changed from a mob controlled city to being one haunted by super-criminals.

#4. *Kingdom Come #1*, **DC Comics**, 1996. This book begins the impact of the Bible's Book of Revelations on the DC Universe.

#3. *Hitman #1*, **DC Comics**, April 1996. First off let me say that the only reason that this book is not higher is because of the violence. What makes this issue so good? Let's see. First there is the superb writing by Garth Ennis. Add in exceptional art by John McCrear, and you've got a great team-up. (Having your star character puke on the Batman doesn't hurt your chances of making the Top Twenty either.) The other issues to be released so far have had the same level of energy put into them, because the book has not dwindled in popularity.

#2. *Batman & Captain America*, **DC/Marvel Comics**, 1996. These two characters, who were created at about the same time, have about as much in common as night and day. Batman, the Dark Knight Detective, and Capt. America, the Living Legend of World War II team up against their foes The Joker and the Red Skull, who plan to steal the outcome of the Gotham Project, the first atomic bomb. The characters are set using their 1940's personas, that is a Batman who is slightly less intense than his modern counterpart, and still has a "Crime Computer." John Byrne uses his great writing and art skills to create a story of intrigue, and suspicion as Pvt. Steve Rogers is assigned to keep tabs on Millionaire Playboy Bruce Wayne, who may be working with the Joker. All in all this book gets four stars, three snaps up, two thumbs up, and a partridge in a pear tree. And if this is only Number Two, than Number One can only be....

#1. *Spider-Boy #1*, **Amalgam Comics**, April 1996. This book provided relief from the whole Spider-clone storyline that had had fans pulling out their hair for months. In it, Spider-Boy, AKA Pete Ross, adopted son of General "Thunderbolt" Ross, was a clone devised at a cloning project outside the city. His enemies include Bizarnage, the Insect Queen, and several others. The humor that at one time was an integral part of the Spider-Man series returned here, with resounding success. Fans everywhere, who not only liked the Amalgam thing as a whole, especially loved the new Spider-Boy. With the ending of DC/Marvel: All Access, it is now possible to have Amalgam issues all of the time, so maybe everyone's new favorite web-slinger will be making a return appearance

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By David Spencer
Editor-in-Chief

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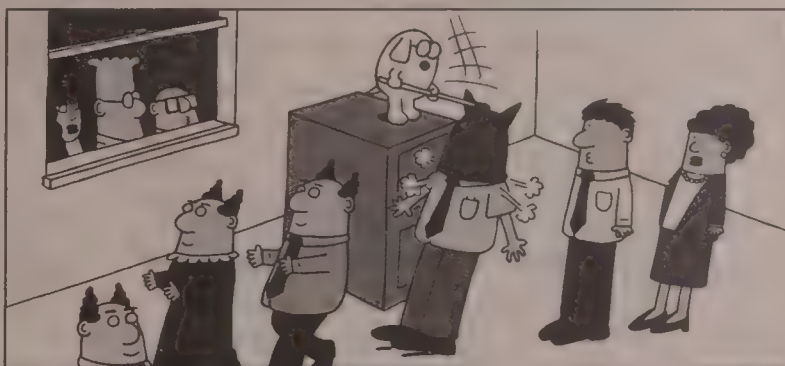
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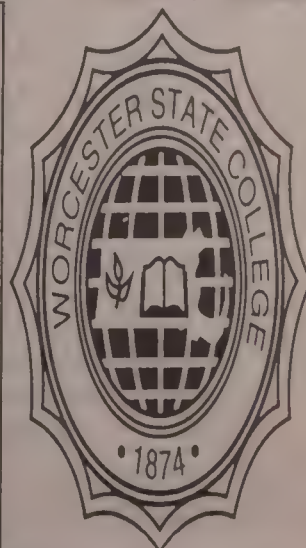
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The fragrance of green violets
fills the room
Wanda peers curiously at the door
with her turquoise eyes
over her tall stack of flap jacks
The maple syrup spills onto the floor
she giggles
Cradled in her tin foil hammock
like a baked potato
She swings back and forth with glee
and giggles uncontrollably
Waving her fork in the air like a baton
she pretends she is a composer that is
conducting an orchestra of alligators
Almost forty, Wanda has way too much
free time on her hands
A dozen dead roses in a broken vase
rest on the floor beside her
Get well cards litter the room
but Wanda is not well
...not well indeed!

You see, Wanda won the lottery three months
ago, but to claim the \$100,000,000
she has to eat 10,000 flap jacks and
stay in this room alone until she does
Wanda started off well at 118 pounds with
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pushing 350 pounds, has more or less gone
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It's amazing what people will do for money
However, in Wanda's case... the money doesn't
really matter anymore
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So, take a gamble if you dare...and pass the
syrup!

Christopher M. Smith

*Her Velvet night skin
Held us close in solitude
Accented by fire*

Storm of Fire

The Fire comes
none can stop it.

For all their fancy things,
they have no hope

We sit, survivors,
watching the Fire destroy
all we knew
all our memories

The Fire is unbeatable,
but not insurmountable

Where the Fire has been,
things change

Things may look different
but are quite the same,
the Fire has raged
but left in it's wake
a chance for the regrowth of
life

JOE STALIN

Upon High

I sit upon high
And look out
Over green fields,
Covered in white.

I sit upon high
And look out,
Seeing walls of brick,
Strong, but empty.

I sit upon high
And look out
Over a lake badly named,
And a ground of black.

I sit upon high
And look out,
The Sun still yet arising,
The darkness still not gone.

I sit upon high
Seeing all of these things,
Yet only do I
Think of Her.

I sit upon high
And look out
But all I can see is her beauti-
ful face,
And be filled with a desire to
be near her.

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from the altar,
intrudes with th
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the glistening crystal expressway
to the "great beyond."
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a skeptical soul follows.

In a trance
flashes of life,
beauty remembered
and now,
drama complete--

A body can rest.

Sarah Bennett

Meet Ginger Sullivan, the SGA President!

by Kristy Servant
Voice Staff

Student Activities welcomes you back to WSC for a rewarding and successful Spring semester. This semester promises to be exciting and challenging, with many events and opportunities to meet new people. To aid in our quest for a more unified campus, Student Activities, specifically myself, Kristen Servant (Student Activities intern extraordinaire), will be interviewing various Student Leaders from the WSC campus student organizations each week.

This week's focus is on Ginger Sullivan, Student Government Association (SGA) president. "What is the Student Government Association?", you ask. According to the WSC Student Handbook for the 1996-1997 calendar year, "The Student Government is the representative body of the entire undergraduate student population. The purpose of the Student Government is to be the primary advocate of student rights and to be involved with the formation of College policy. The Student Government serves as a vehicle of communication among the students, administration, and faculty."

Ms. Sullivan is quick to point out that every undergraduate student is a member of SGA, the distinction is that some are "active," and some aren't.

As the head of the SGA, Ginger Sullivan certainly has her hands full. Ginger describes

her function as "serving as a liaison between students, faculty, staff, and administration. Addressing issues

the charisma with which she performs her position. When asked how she got involved in SGA, she stated simply, "I was nominated, then I campaigned, and then (she was) elected." Her advice to others interested in becoming involved in Student Activities, was equally to the point, "To get involved, come to the mezzazine level (of the Student Center). Find a club that interests you. If you can't find it, make one." She also pointed out that there are over fifteen major organizations that students can and are encouraged to become involved in.

Although Ms. Sullivan is graduating this year, her personal investments and experiences in SGA will surely continue beyond her days within the walls of WSC. Her sentiment for the future of SGA is for it to "remain and increase it's level of activity. At this point it's quite strong and I only hope the success remains. Through effective communication, innovative creativity, and a unified community, the Student Government Association will do their best to serve the students of WSC." Ms. Sullivan is an intergral part of the student activities here at WSC and truly exemplifies the potential of a student leader.

Want to become involved in one of the many student organizations? Call the Student Activities Office at 793-8073, or contact the specific organization through their extension in the Student Handbook.



Ginger Sullivan wants to be the first woman President

sues and concerns brought to my attention by the Student Senate and others concerned, and creating a sense of community throughout the diverse campus at WSC." This is obviously a challenging position to have because, according to Ms. Sullivan,"all organizational events are SGA's."

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SPORTS

Red Sox Finish Fourth!

by Michael Cocozzella
Sports Editor

It may be January, and it's probably cold enough to freeze hell over, but that doesn't mean it's too early to talk about baseball. Why, this is as good a time as any, because talking about it will help us to forget the tragic fact that spring training is more than a month away. I want to talk about baseball in general, but specifically the Red Sox. I wish I could muse about the Red Sox, but being a Red Sox fan and given their history, I am afraid that is impossible. One thing I have learned is that while you can never take baseball too seriously, you can never take the Red Sox too lightly. It is not as if the Red Sox have ever been a hapless bunch of lovable losers. They have always been a talented cast of characters that never seems quite able to take the next step up the ladder, good enough year after year that when they repeatedly fall on their faces under pressure, you can never figure out why. This kind of recidivism is anything but funny. There is something maddening about being good, but never good enough. Trying to figure out why you can never take that next step is like trying to contemplate eternity. You are just going to end up pulling your hair out if you do.

Anyway, back to the Sox, who look like they are going to do some falling back to the pack this year after finishing first in the division in 1995 and third last year, with an 85-77 record. The Red Sox have far too many questions and far too few answers. Their starting rotation in particular is riddled with question marks. The Sox used the off-season to stock up on starting pitching in quantity, not quality, and do not have a clear-cut first starter. They lost Roger Clemens to free-agency, which in itself was a brilliant move, considering the kind of money he

wanted for his worn-out carcass, but in his stead have acquired Bret Saberhagen, Chris Hammond, and Steve Avery. I would be willing to bet somebody else's life that Roger Clemens will put up more wins for the Toronto Blue Jays in 1997 than the aforementioned charlatans will for the Red Sox. Bret Saberhagen had reconstructive shoulder surgery last year, did not pitch at all, and will not be available until mid-season. Chris Hammond has never been more than fourth-starter quality and had a disastrous, injury plagued season last year. Steve Avery, a 26 year old left-hander, has not been dominant since 1993. His youth, however, suggests that he would be eligible to make a strong comeback, so he could very well turn out to be worth the five million dollar gamble the Sox took on him. The most intriguing man who will be battling for a spot in the starting rotation is left-hander Butch Henry. Henry racked up sub-three ERA's for Montreal before undergoing Tommy John surgery in mid-1995. He is healthy and ready to go for spring training. He may be a reclamation project, but so is everyone else competing for a starting spot, except for super prospect Jeff Suppan, 21. Suppan, a righthander, is ready for his first full major league season, and he would help the Red Sox tremendously if he can find success. Tim Wakefield was hit by a car as he was jogging a couple of weeks ago and sustained a fractured left leg. He says he'll be ready for spring training, but healthy or no, I doubt he will be any kind of factor this year. He has only one pitch, the knuckleball, and was hammered with it quite often last year. Opposing batters touched him up for a .314 average. If he wins a starting spot out of spring training and struggles early, look for the Sox to release him. The Red Sox have no one in the bullpen to back up scattershot

closer Heathcliff Slocumb, whose goal for this season is to rack up 40 saves. He will have an extremely difficult time doing that if the Red Sox do not acquire anyone to save their beleaguered bullpen.

If this all sounds depressing, it is. The Red Sox also are going to have problems concerning who to play in the outfield, and whether the outfield is going to provide them with acceptable offensive output. Shane Mack, whom they signed as a free-agent from Japan, could contribute, but he hasn't played in the major-leagues since 1994. Other candidates for the outfield slots are Troy O'Leary and Rudy Pemberton. O'Leary doesn't hit left-handers, and Pemberton is a tremendous athlete with prodigious power, but he probably will not hit right-handers, so the Red Sox would be best served with an O'Leary-Pemberton platoon in rightfield. This would leave left-field open, and who better to give the slot to than the man without a position, Wil Cordero? Cordero's best "position" is DH, but he is a tremendous hitter, a guy who should bust through with a .300, 30 homer, 110 RBI season in 1997. The Red Sox are going to need his bat in the lineup. So, while their best situation could be a Cordero, Mack, O'Leary-Pemberton outfield, the Red Sox are left without a true centerfielder and an outfield defense that will be one of the league's very worst. Mo Vaughn will bring the punch to the Red Sox infield party, which seems very set, the only question being whether John Valentin will relinquish his shortstop position to mega-talented prospect Nomar Garciaparra. Valentin's platform all along has been that he is absolutely unwilling to play anywhere else besides shortstop. This is a terribly selfish attitude. Garciaparra is a great all-around talent who is ready to

solidify Boston's defense, provide them with some much needed speed, and become one of the finest shortstops in the game, but Valentin wants none of it. With that kind of attitude, he is better off playing in the low minors. Valentin will most likely not change his stance, and even if he did, the change of mind would not represent a change of attitude and his unhappiness would affect his play in the field and at the plate. With Tim Lincecum inked to a new two-year deal at third base, Jeff Frye set at second, and Garciaparra waiting in the wings, Valentin's attitude renders him expendable, and in my mind would do so no matter what the situation. Look for a trade in the next couple of weeks that could land some much needed starting pitching help. See ya, Crybaby John. I wish I could get that seven bucks back that I paid for your Kenner Starting Lineup figure last year.

The Red Sox are going to have an extremely difficult time matching their 85 wins of last year. They will likely score plenty of runs, but their opponents are going to score plenty more. Look for the Red Sox pitchers to show off some really ugly pitching lines in the boxscores in 1997. The ride to oblivion is going to be a quick one. This trend will not be reversed until some genuine pitching help pans out. I predict a 78-84 record for 1997, good for fourth place in the AL East.

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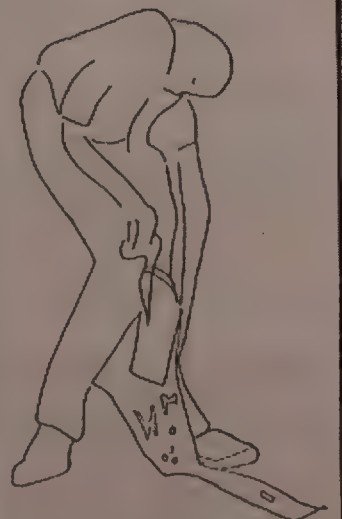
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SPORTS

The Sports Corner

Look Out New Orleans, Hear Come Da Pats!

by David Spencer
Editor-in-Chief

January 26, 1986. This date resides in the memories of Patriots fans everywhere. This, of course, was the date of the last Superbowl to feature the New England Patriots. (They lost) The Pats will be playing in this year's Superbowl.

The Pats are now heading once again for the Superbowl, on the strength of what could

be their best season, and team, ever. Their opponent? A team just as hungry, if not more so, for a Superbowl victory, the Green Bay Packers. While the Pats haven't been to the Superbowl in 11 years, the Packers haven't been there in almost thirty, their last appearance being in what was then called the World Championship Game, and the AFC and NFC were still the NFL and AFL.

However, The Packers won that game over the Raiders 33-14. The rushing leader

in that game was Ben Wilson of the Packers with 17 carries for 62 yards. While Packer QB Bart Starr was the game MVP, Raider QB led passing with 15 of 34 passes, for 208 yards, 2 TDs, and 1 Interception. But I digress, this column is about Da Pats

The Pats last trip to "The Show," as the Tuna calls it, was not so spectacular. The Bears simply destroyed the Patriots. In retrospective, the Bears probably did not have a chance to lose the game.

Let's take a look back at the Patriots stats. The Pats lost their first two games to Miami (24-10) and the Bills (17-10) respectively. They won their next game against Arizona (31-0). Their next win was not so sterling, as they faced the Jacksonville (28-25), and won in overtime. They would never again have a losing record.

They were able to win the next game over Baltimore (46-35), knocking out the team that dashed their playoff hopes only two years ago. When the Redskins (27-22) came to Foxboro, they barely beat out the Pats. They played their first game against the Colts (27-9), and easily handled them. They again played Buffalo (28-25), and handed them a defeat.

When Miami (42-23) came to town, the Pats were ready and easily defeated them. The Pats then played the Jets (31-27), and won it by a close margin. Next, they Pats lost a humiliating game against the Denver (34-8). Indianapolis (27-13) came a-knockin' on November 24th, and were soundly beaten our boys in blue.

The Pats rounded out their season with wins over San Diego (45-7), the Jets (34-10), and the Giants (23-22), and a loss to Dallas on the 15th (12-6). The Pats clinched the AFC Eastern Divisional Championship with their season ender against the Giants. Their win also clinched them a bye in the playoffs.

In the playoffs, the Pats first faced the Steelers, and, after an embarrassing show-

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Liberia should have a special place in the conscience of the United States of America. Its impetus to become a nation came from the United States. For 149 years, it was a stalwart ally of the United States. Yet for the past years, as a civil war has taken almost 200,000 lives, displaced more than two-thirds of the population and destroyed its infrastructure, the United States has treated this great tragedy as a regional problem.

Liberia has a unique historical and cultural link to the United States. Settled by African Americans, many of them former slaves, in the early decades of the 19th century, Liberia became a republic in 1847. The United States influence on Liberia is reflected in the African nation's constitution, the star and stripes of its red, white and blue flag, the structure of its government, the names of its cities, its schools' curriculum, its official language and the remarkable degree of good will its citizens feel toward America. Through all the major conflicts of the 20th century, Liberians have been among the most dependable allies of the United States. In both World Wars, Liberia declared war on the enemies of the United States and offered vital air bases, ports, and natural resources to support the United States military. During the Cold War, Liberia voted with the United States on every significant resolution at the United Nations. It hosted facilities for electronic monitoring and became the largest base for United States intelligence-gathering in Africa.

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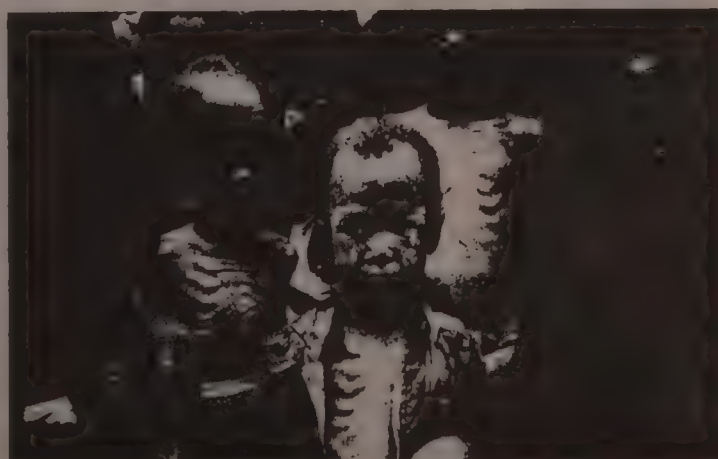
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Executive Director/Chairman

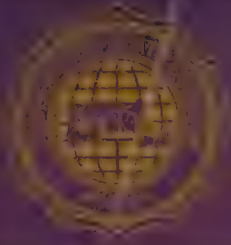
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Faces of hunger in Liberia

Liberian children await arrival of a food convoy in Tubmanburg, 50 miles north of Monrovia. The city was cut off for months by fighting. People surrounded the trucks Wednesday; when bags of wheat were opened, they grabbed handfuls and ate it uncooked. World/A8

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Thursday, Jan. 30

- Campus Ambassadors Spaghetti Dinner at 5:30pm
- Senior Class 100 Day Countdown in One Lancer Place
- Frosh Concert: Life in General
- Ice Hockey vs. Quinnipac at 7pm

Saturday, Feb. 1

- Men's Basketball vs. St. Joseph's at 2pm

Sunday, Feb. 2

- SGA Auction at 2pm

Monday, Feb. 3

- Newman Clothing Drive

Tuesday, Feb. 4

- SEC Movie: First Wives Club at 3pm
- Men's Basketball vs. Salem State at 8pm
- Women's Basketball vs. Salem State at 6pm
- Ice Hockey vs. North Adams State at 7pm

Wednesday, Feb. 5

- TWA Dragon Dance at noon
- Campus Ministry Pasta supper at 6pm

Thursday, Feb. 6

- Ice Hockey vs. Plymouth State at 7pm
- Campus Ambassadors Spaghetti Dinner at 5:30

Tuesday, Feb. 11

- SEC/ Jammin' 94.5 Dance Party at 8pm in the Student Center
- Women's Basketball vs. Westfield State at 6pm
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Wednesday, Feb. 12

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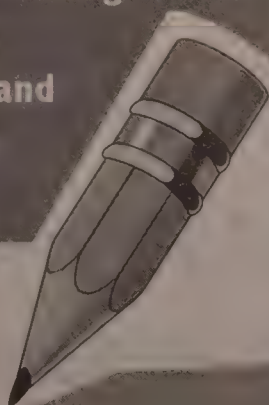
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Op/Ed PAGE

The Soapbox

World Domination 101

What are we going to do tonight Brain?

The same thing we do every night, Pinky, try to take over the world!

...And with these famous lines, two now famous mice became the absolute masters of the world. Or rather would have if not for the fact they are not real.

Oh, well. The whole point of this week's Soapbox is, as stated above, World Domination, or to be more precise, why no one would really want to be the master of the planet.

As any student leader could tell you, their positions, though they enjoy them, can at times be extremely stressful. This is for a small organization of say 5-20 members. Now, let's take this to the next level. Say, a local leader. Let's take the Mayor of Worcester.

It is his job to act as the chief executive for the immense population of Worcester, as well as give all the heads of various city departments what they want and at the same time as he tries to keep the budget in check and not go overboard in spending as well as retain his popularity for the next election. This is quite a bit of stress.

If we were to use Governor Weld, the

problem would be that much larger, and Massachusetts is a small state. Imagine the stress from a larger state, or even the Presidency.

But let's take a look at the hypothetical position of World Dictator. Because of the hate that runs through much of the world (such as in Bosnia) ZYou would have to rule through force. To remain in power, you would have to be utterly ruthless in the treatment of your enemies. Obviously, you could not be a nice person, except to those who support you, whom you would probably be suspicious of (they could be wolves in the clothing of sheep).

You could never take a vacation, and you would most likely have to handle the day to day functioning of your highly oppressive and authoritarian regime by yourself. You could rename yourself Josef Stalin II, or if you're female, Josephina Stalin!

My point, and their really is one, is this: people tend to try to do things, without thinking about the consequences of their actions. Be careful what you wish for. You might just get it.

David Spencer
Editor-in-Chief

David Spencer took HI 450, Dictators in History as a "How To" course.

Letter to the Editor

Gentlemen:

The late Paul Tsongas graduated from Dartmouth College, Hanover, New Hampshire, not from U. Mass Dartmouth.

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The Student Voice apologizes for this misinformation.



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The staff and officers of the Student Voice wish to thank our departing co-Editor-in-Chief, Ziad Al-Azem, for his service to this newspaper. We also want to wish him "good luck at his new school in New York."

CAMPUS NEWS

Worcester State College Offers a Shakespeare Summer School at Worcester College in Worcester, England

Well known Worcester State College professor, Jeffrey L. Roberts, is again offering college students an opportunity to immerse themselves in the world of Shakespeare at the Shakespeare Summer School at Worcester College of Higher Education in Worcester, England.

Professor Roberts, former chairperson of the Department of Languages and Literature, teaches courses in Shakespeare, Elizabethan and Jacobean drama, and has studied at the University of London. His counterpart in England is Professor Peter Diamond who teaches a variety of literature, philosophy and art history courses for Worcester College of Higher Education and

the Open University of Great Britain. A graduate of the University of London, Professor Diamond regularly leads student groups to the center capitols of Europe, conducting study tours in Medieval and Renaissance art history.

Students will have the chance to participate in drama workshops with actors from the world famous Royal Shakespeare Company, discuss plays in seminar, attend live performances in both Stratford and London and tour the surrounding countryside, visiting literary, architectural and historic sites in the company of Professors Roberts and Diamond along with fellow students.

The price of \$1790 includes transatlantic

flights Boston/London/Boston, ground transportation and accommodation at the Wyvern Residence Halls on the campus of Worcester College with maid service plus all meals on campus. Credit and non-credit options are available at \$321 for undergraduates and \$354 for graduates. An optional London weekend is priced at \$250 including bed and breakfast at Queen Elizabeth Hall, King's College, in centrally located Kensington.

Included in the London weekend are visits to the National Gallery, Westminster Abbey, performances at the Barbican Theater, the Royal Shakespeare Company's

London Venue, and at the newly built replica of Shakespeare's Globe Theater. Also scheduled is a special day tour by motor launch up the Thames to Henry VIII's famed palace, Hampton Court, where Shakespeare himself played in *Macbeth*.

Limited to only 20 participants, this '97 summer session is sure to fill up as quickly as Professor Roberts' past offerings. For complete itinerary, booking information and reservation deadline, contact Professor Jeffrey L. Roberts, Dept. of Languages and Literature, Worcester State College, 486 Chandler Street, Worcester, MA 01602-2597, (508) 793-8000, Ext. 8711.

Valentine's Day is National Condom Day

The American Social Health Association will sponsor National Condom Day on Valentine's Day, February 14th, reminding couples to "love responsibly" by protecting one another's sexual health.

"As a romantic occasion, Valentine's Day is an appropriate time to focus on the importance of safer sex," said ASHA president Peggy Clarke. "We encourage sex partners to talk openly about the sensitive subject of sexual health and to use condoms to protect one another from sexually transmitted diseases."

According to the Institute of Medicine, five of the top 10 most frequently reported infectious diseases in the U.S. are sexually transmitted. One-fourth of new STD cases each year occur in teenagers.

In many cases, STDs-including HIV/

AIDS, herpes, human papillomavirus, chlamydia and gonorrhea-have no symptoms. "By using a condom, you may avoid transmitting an infection that you don't even know you have," Clarke emphasized.

In 1994, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reported the results of two studies that monitored couples in which one partner was infected with HIV, the virus that causes AIDS, and the other partner was HIV-negative. By using latex condoms consistently and correctly, 98-100 percent of the couples in the two studies avoided transmitting HIV to the uninfected partner.

Among types of condoms, the male latex condom is considered the most effective in preventing STDs. The female condom, which is made of polyurethane, is also considered very effective for STD prevention.

A male polyurethane condom is now available, although its effectiveness against STDs is still being tested. Natural membrane condoms are not recommended for STD prevention.

A nonprofit organization, ASHA offers two free brochures on condom use through a toll-free number. "Condoms, Contraceptives and STDs" discusses the relative ben-

efits of various birth control methods in preventing pregnancy and STD infection. "Better Sex, Healthy Sex" encourages couples to use condoms to make sex healthier and more enjoyable. Either brochure can be ordered by calling 800/972-8500.

Free, confidential information about STDs is available through the National STD Hotline, operated by ASHA, at 800/227-8922.

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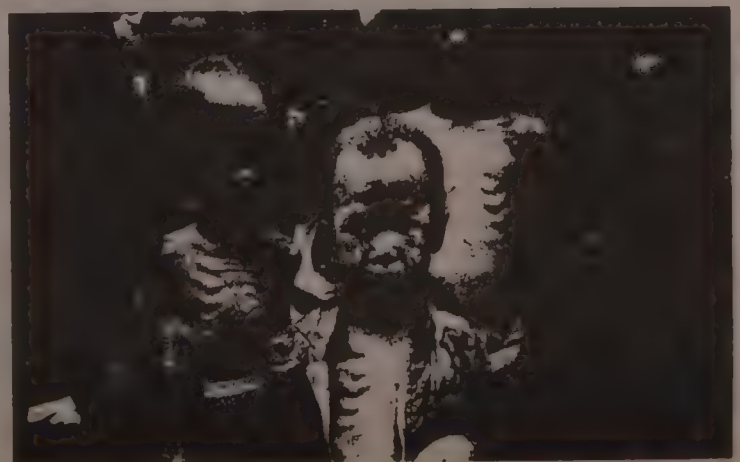
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On behalf of our members, I appeal to you for financial assistance in support of LSJFI activities. An application for membership is included which contains a breakdown of membership fees. Please know that any amount you can contribute will be helpful to us. Your support of the Foundation, and your awareness of its concerns is deeply appreciated. Should you have any questions or suggestions, please feel free to write us or call. Thank you for your time, your contribution, and your generosity. Checks and money orders should be made payable to the Liberian Social Justice Foundation, Inc.

Best regards,

Edwin G.K. Zoedua
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Faces of hunger in Liberia

Liberian children await arrival of a food convoy in Tubmanburg, 50 miles north of Monrovia. The city was cut off for months by fighting. People surrounded the trucks Wednesday; when bags of wheat were opened, they grabbed handfuls and ate it uncooked. **World/A8**

CAMPUS NEWS

The Value Of Research-The Pig-Nosed Turtle

By Voice Staff

Christopher M. Smith

Dr. Terry Graham of the Biology Department has been a professor here at Worcester State College for twenty-seven years. In 1994 Dr. Graham went on a seven month sabbatical. He spent the first five months of his time in Southeastern Australia near Sidney. During this time and the remaining two months he saw the sights and enjoyed himself as a tourist. However, this trip was really centered around a field research project that he was working on with a colleague. His colleague was involved with a three year project which involved animal behavior. The animals that were being studied were turtles. Dr. Graham returned after his trip and resumed his teaching here at WSC, but his research was far from over.

Dr. Graham describes his interest in fresh water turtles as a passion of life. He has dedicated years of teaching and research to the field of biology. An exclusive interest of his is the study of animal behavior and more specifically, that of fresh water turtles. Australia has a lot of turtles and Dr. Graham traveled across the globe once again in the interest of science to pursue further knowledge of the turtles. Dr. Graham's primary mission was to witness and record data concerning the nesting process of the gentle and docile Pig-nosed turtle. His fruitful efforts yielded many results, but this experience was not realized on this particular trip. It was not for a lack of trying on Dr. Graham's part, it was just the luck of the draw.

At the end of July in 1996 Dr. Graham and seven other researchers formed a team and headed on a five day drive to the tropics of Northern Australia. Three hours drive short of the capital city of Darwin, they made camp on the Daly River. The place on the river was called "Ooloo Crossing" and was a man-made bridge constructed out of boulders. WSC had provided Dr. Graham with a professional development grant that covered his airfare to and from Sidney. The team spent three days marking the trees five kilometers upstream and six kilometers downstream so that the location of the turtles could be communicated more efficiently. A makeshift darkroom was created out of a trailer so x-rays could be developed. There was no electricity and no running water. Gas generators were used to power lights at night and recharge batteries. Food was cooked over an open fire and the nearest phone was a thirty minute drive away. There were three small boats with outboard motors that the team used to locate and capture the turtles. Sleeping in this environment had it's challenges indeed. Upon retiring in a tent on a slope in the evening, Dr. Graham and the other encountered a variety of animals. Fruit bats (flying foxes) were about as big as a squirrel and urinated from above and squeaked all night long. A sweep of a flashlight across the shoreline revealed the red eyes of several crocodiles. There were "Salties" and "Freshies" which corre-

sponded to the type of water they lived in. Prior to Dr. Graham's visit a "Salty" dragged a man into the water and injured him badly. These are the man-eating kind and the team saw one during their trip. Noisy parrots acted as nature's alarm clock for these folks and insects and rodents were in abundance. This did not deter the researcher for they were determined to collect data and learn about the Pig-nosed turtle. No one had ever studied this turtle like this before. They were discovered in Australia about twenty-seven years ago, but has been found in New Guinea over one-hundred years ago. The theory is that Australia and New Guinea were once connected. A quick glance at a map reveals this to be an rational theory.

The Pig-nosed turtle is a fresh water turtle but it closely resembles a sea turtle in shape and has a very similar looking shell. A conspicuous difference is the front flip-



Dr. Graham by the Daly River holds a Northern Long-neck turtle and Water Python.

pers which are exclusive to fresh water turtles. They have a soft shell which is more like a skin and it provides no information about the age of the turtle. This presented a problem because part of the research being gathered included the age of the turtle. As part of Dr. Graham's secondary findings he had consulted with a group of scientists in Missouri. They had come up with the idea that the determination of the age of the turtle may be able to be revealed by examining cross-sections of the toe nails. Dr. Graham collected several of these samples and hopes to analyze the data of the growth zones and the annular rings as soon as his schedule permits. Dr. Graham spent over thirty nights alone over four miles from camp watching for the nesting of the Pig-nosed turtle. He borrowed a Russian night scope from the Australian Nature Conservation Agency. Dr. Graham moved his position and later realized that the turtles had nested where he was previously and that he had missed it. Some nesting data was gathered but no first hand accounts were experienced. An average nest has about eleven eggs and there are several predators that comb the beaches in search of these nests. The teams had to remove and relocate some of these predators so that they would not destroy the nests.



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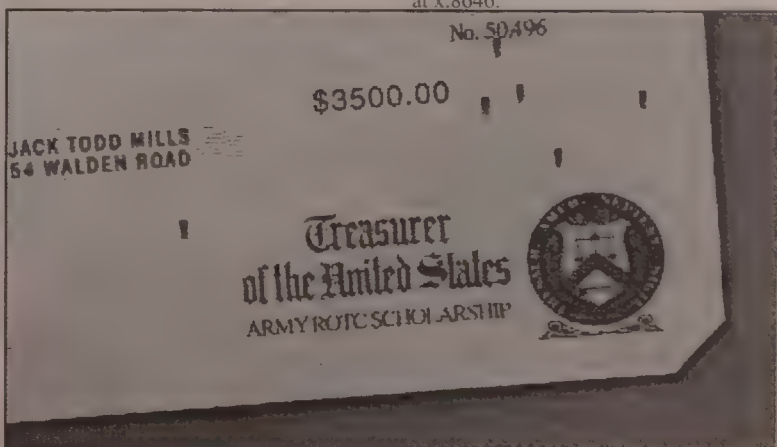
Sixty-five nests were located in all. One-hundred and nineteen females and fifty-nine males were found. They were cow-tagged, fitted with radio transmitters and over one-hundred females were x-rayed for eggs. Blood was drawn from the neck to obtain DNA information and the vein was not easily located. None of the turtles were harmed or injured in this process. The reason why this team went there was to learn about and help protect this species.

Dr. Graham also did some work with the Red-faced turtle. This turtle is an attractive turtle (as far as turtles go) and has an orange stripe on the side of it's head. Dr. Graham collected nineteen of these turtles and made determinations of gender, behavior and basic life history. A process called "stomach flushing" showed that there were small shell fragments in the contents of the stomach. This would suggest that the Red-faced turtle included mollusks in it's diet. This was a significant finding concerning the eating habits of this species.

The Aborigines harvest and eat the

Pig-nosed turtle at times and this contributes to it potentially being endangered. However, this is not conclusive because the number of Pig-nosed turtles that exist is unknown. These turtles are now protected by the government and this aids in the preservation of the turtles.

Dr. Graham returned during the second week of September and resumed his teaching. Some of the others in the team remained at the Daly until December to collect as much data as possible. Dr. Graham gave a presentation about his trip on Friday, January 24 from 3:00 PM to 4:30 PM in The Faculty Lounge at "The Faculty Forum" which allows various Professors to present on areas of their interest. There were eighteen people present and Dr. Bruce Henry of the Mathematics Department introduced Dr. Graham. After a fifty minute slide show and a fifteen minute video presentation Dr. Graham continued to share with the audience his experiences in researching the Pig-nosed turtle. If you have an interest in Dr. Graham's work his office is located in room S130 and can be reached at x.8646.



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The Magical Music Of A Talented Performer John Akers

By Christopher M. Smith
Voice Staff

John Akers, 30, was raised in Kansas City. He later moved to Rochester, NY where he still resides today. For ten years John was a member of a band called *Hard Rain*. This eclectic band got signed with EMI in 1992. They put out two CD's. The first was *Since Melvin Left Memphis* and the second was *Peace Is Not A Fashion*. They had a lot of fun making these CD's, but in January of 1996 they decided that they needed a break.

Since then John has been playing a variety of instruments and singing solo on

the road. Akers says "I love to write and perform. I love to play and sing. I knew that this is what I wanted to do since I was six years old."

Even with his busy tour schedule, John has created his own CD named *Born On A Monday* (available now on Pigeon Hole Records) which was just released this January. John sees himself as an eclectic Singer/Songwriter with a great respect for a sacred art form.

John's tour dates include:

1/23 Green Mountain College Poultey, VT
1/24 Northfield Mount Hermon School Mt. Hermon, MA

1/25 Franklin Pierce College Rindge, NH
2/12 Fitchburg State College Fitchburg, MA
2/14 UMASS Amherst Amherst, MA
These are just a few of John's local dates...there are many more! This is what John had to say when asked about his future "I'm looking toward a more aggressive production style. I want more going on sonically. I want to continue to be eclectic and draw from country, gospel, pop, traditional, ect. I want to continue to explore the contrast concept. I am lucky to have such a flexible day job right now so that I can tour. I would like to continue to tour, be able to

make a living at performing and eventually quit my day job. I am more comfortable with myself now. So, if this happens...great! If not, I'm having a lot of fun. I feel blessed just to be able to be doing what I love to do."

John performed between 10:00 AM and 1:00 PM on Wednesday, January 22 in the Exhibit Area in The Student Center at WSC. John Akers is a very talented performer and is definitely worth hearing. You can visit him on The World Wide Web for the most current news, tour dates sound clips and lyrics at <http://www.zaks.com/akers/> and for booking information you can call Pelican Mktg. and Mgmt. at (716) 381-5224.

Spotlight On: Christi Cruz

Here we are, back to the grind at WSC. Getting back into the swing of things means balancing study and leisure time once again. One favorite American passtime is, of course, the art of being a couch potato. What better way is there to combine the love of t.v. with involvement in WSC student activities, than joining our own WSTS TV-11 television station? This week's student activities spotlight is on Christie Cruz, the current General Manager of the t.v. station at WSC.

Ms. Cruz, is extremely proud of her organization's effort to get quality programs on the air and, in her words, "to be a fully stable and independent running studio." The television station currently broadcasts WSCW, Worcester State's radio station, and can be viewed in the residence halls on Channel 11. Ms. Cruz's efforts are commendable and her drive to succeed is evident. The station, she feels, "gives the students at WSC a chance to learn about television production. It also gives you, (the students of WSC), experience in the field of communications."

Because the crew at WSTS is learning primarily through hands-on experiences, students may have noticed that not many programs have made their television debut just yet. The members of WSTS do have ambitious plans for the near future. Ms. Cruz explained that, "many television shows, from news to talk shows, and even a possible game show," could be coming to a television near you very soon.

When asked how she got her start at

WSTS, Ms. Cruz stated, "Because I am a Communications major and have a concentration in film, this was the logical place to begin." Many student leaders, through involvement in Student Activities, gain experience in the areas that they plan to pursue in the future. Being a member, or an executive, of a student organization can aid in the development of many skills that are applicable in the work arena. Such skills as conflict resolution, program organizing, public speaking, responsibility, how to run a meeting, etc., can be acquired through active membership in student organizations.

Ms. Cruz suggests that students interested in becoming involved in student organizations, "find out what your interests are and follow that path, and use the resources the school has to offer."

Any student wishing to learn more about student organizations can visit the Student Activities Office, (on the second floor of the Student Center). In respect to the television station, meetings are in room c-206 on Thursdays, at 4pm. New members are welcome to attend and encouraged to come and see what the station is all about. Ms. Cruz would also like Communications majors to know that, "you may also be able to get credit for joining this organization."

Want to become more involved in one of the many student organizations? Call the Student Activities Office at 793-8073, or contact the specific organization through their extension in the Student Handbook. To reach Christie Cruz for information on the television station, call 831-9751.

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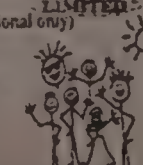
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Arts & Entertainment

The Comic Strip

By Dave Spencer
Editor-in-Chief

OUT THIS WEEK:

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This is a list of books scheduled to be in stores this week from Dark Horse Comics.
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Step On It!

by David Spencer
Editor-in-Chief

Step On It! is from Casady & Greene, makers of such fine software as Crystal Quest and Crystal Crazy.

In Step On It! you play Ted. Ted is trapped in a world of toys gone mad. With only his power to create blocks out of thin air, you must help him escape from the over one hundred wacky, labyrinthine levels.

Your object is to collect the key in each level and then get to the door. Blocking your way are blocks, some of which can be broken, walls, and of course, enemies.

Overall, the game is quite fun, but can be a bit challenging getting use to using the keyboard for a control.

Step On It! requirements are any Macintosh with a 256 color monitor, 4MB of RAM, System 7.0 or later, and Quicktime 2.0 or later

Star Wars Hits The Big Screen Again

by Michael Cocozzella
Sports Editor

Frankly, folks, I am so excited about the upcoming release of the Star Wars Special Edition movies that I am finding it difficult to contain myself. I, along with hundreds of thousands of other people, am going to see Star Wars on the big screen for the first time in my life. I hadn't yet turned two when it first came out in 1977. If my parents did take me to see it way back then, I certainly don't remember it. I certainly do, however, remember seeing The Empire Strikes Back and Return of the Jedi in the theaters. I liked Return of The Jedi so much I saw it eight times. And it is my personal belief that The Empire Strikes Back is the greatest all-around movie of all time.

I think, regardless of whether you are a Star Wars fan or not, if you have seen the Special Edition previews in the theaters, you know what the big deal is. The new computer generated scenes are absolutely astounding in their clarity and realism. Computer generated rebel ships on their way to the Death Star replace the stop-motion models used originally, and the visual effect they lend is truly candy for the eyes. Han Solo confronts slug-like crime lord Jabba the Hutt at Docking Bay 94 in a scene Star Wars cre-

ator George Lucas had to cut twenty years ago due to fiscal, time, and technological constraints. An Irish actor stood in for Jabba when the scene was first filmed, but time and money ran out before a stop-motion Jabba puppet could be built to replace him. Given the relationship of these two, this scene will be one of the biggest highlights of the new special edition scenes. There is a multitude of other tasty morsels the new special edition movies will serve us, and you may be so impatient to see them that you feel like you're going to bust a gut. Remember, all good things come to those who wait. Star Wars: A New Hope opens next Friday, January 31. The Empire Strikes Back opens February 21, and The Return of Jedi March 7.

One of the most exciting products of Star Wars mania is the new line of Star Wars action figures by Kenner. Sure, you've heard about them, you've seen them in the stores, and hopefully, you've bought some, but have you seen the latest five releases? These beauties just came out two Fridays ago and are really hot stuff. Included in this latest run are Luke in Stormtrooper disguise, Jawas, Tusken Raider, Hammerhead, and R5-D4. Kenner's last eight releases, includ-

ing the aforementioned five and the Tatooine Stormtrooper, Greedo, and Death Star Gunner, represent the coolest Star Wars characters Kenner has yet chosen to depict in their new action figure line, and they are truly magnificent, the best work Kenner has done with their action figures yet. The Luke Stormtrooper is so nice it is might possibly be the most beautiful action figure ever pro-

duced. 1997 is going to be a banner year for new Kenner Star Wars collectibles, and the market demand for them (also the originals) is going to go through the stratosphere with the release of the special edition movies. My advice to you for the ensuing weeks and months is this: When it comes to a Star Wars collectible you really want, keep your eyes open.

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Arts & Entertainment

Dining Out the College Way with Trish, Roula and Friends

We worked up an appetite, after practically killing ourselves driving down a one-way street, and decided to stop by Shiraz on Park Avenue, across from CC Lowell. This little diner-type Armenian restaurant is well hidden in the LB Wheaton building. Our guests all agreed that this was the cleanest place they had ever had eaten at.

The waitress came over with some menus containing a wide selection of Middle Eastern dishes. Unfortunately, we didn't have the pleasure of seeing her again until we were ready to order (a good 15 minutes later). By which time, I had dehydrated and resembled a sundried tomato. My friends quickly revived me with a glass of water at her arrival.

The first time the waitress arrived we would have liked to order our drinks but unfortunately we did not have that choice. As Trish said the waitress came back a good fifteen minutes later and we ordered our food and finally our drinks. For once Trish and I had the same drink. Who won? I did. We had Pepsi. Roxanna and Mary followed suite and both had H₂O.

They carried this a little further by ordering the same entrees. As we all know, there's nothing like playing it safe, so they

had the Chicken Kebab (or Kabob as I call it, for \$8.95). I diverged a little, being the non-conformist that I am, by ordering the Pork Kebab. Our salads were served a little later with a

some serious damage due to the experience but in all, everything was quite nice and taken in good spirit. I must add that I exaggerated just a little, the pork were merely dry not burnt and perfectly edible.



house vinaigrette which lightly complimented the fresh Iceberg lettuce, cucumbers and onions. Our entrees were very copious. All three were served with rice and vegetables and generous amounts of chicken and pork. Mary and Roxanna enjoyed theirs very much but were unable to refrain from laughing as they observed my desperate struggle with the extremely well done pork. The fork suffered

but I have had better. The yalanchi (just one) was cold and tasteless. The tabouleh was actually very good. I definitely would recommend the Lemejun (ground meat with spices on bread) pie. This was excellent and made up for the fact that I only had one yalanchi. Being from the Middle East I am very critical when it comes to Middle Eastern Food. The variety of foods available is wide, but I can only comment on the plate that I had. The Lemejun was fabulous.

Our bill came to \$38.33 for four people which is very reasonable for the amount of food consumed. If you are looking for a good Armenian Experience, stop in Shiraz and enjoy.

Discover Yourself as a Spiritual

Being, the 1997 Massachusetts ECKANKAR Regional Seminar, is being presented Saturday, February 1st, and Sunday, February 2nd, at the Radisson Inn, 75 Felton Street, in Marlboro, Massachusetts. The Saturday morning session, beginning at 9 AM is free.

The seminar includes talks, workshops, creative arts and both children and youth programs. The guest speaker is Mike Avery, author of *The Secret Language of Waking Dreams*. Requested donation is \$25. For more information please call 508 754-9042. This event is sponsored by the Massachusetts Satsang Society, Inc., a chartered affiliate of ECKANKAR.

Being the adventurer that I am, I broke the mold and didn't order a Kebab. But rather I opted for the Lemejun combo (\$7.95). This came with your choice of humus or babaganoush, tabouleh and yalanchi. I chose the babaganoush. It was not bad

As a Community Service, I have arranged to have the Worcester Computer Society hold its monthly meetings here at Worcester State College. The meetings are for PC beginners and cover a wide range of topics—a different topic is covered each month. The meetings are held the third Monday of each month from 7 to 9 PM and are free to all employees and to all students at Worcester State College. To find out which room to go to call 793-8073 the day before the meeting, or if you prefer, drop by at the student center information desk the evening of the meeting.

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Red Sox Trade Jose Canseco

by Mike Cocozzella
Sports Editor

Well folks, the Red Sox went and done it. They made a deal with another team and didn't get the wool, er, polyester knit pulled over their eyes. Yesterday they traded Jose Canseco, their brittle, vastly overpaid, lazy, prima donna full-time designated hitter back to his old team, the Oakland Athletics, for John Wasdin, a promising 24 year old right-handed starting pitcher. Canseco demanded a trade after Sox general manager Dan Duquette fired ex-Sox manager Kevin Kennedy last fall. Canseco played under Kennedy from 1994 to 1996 and the two were good friends. Canseco is now reunited with his former Bash Brother Mark McGwire. The two were teammates on the Athletics from 1987 to 1992. In their heyday they were baseball's most powerful batting duo and from 1988-1990 bashed their team to three American League Championships, a World Series win coming in 1989. Canseco, 32, had an injury riddled tenure

with the Red Sox. Last April, he was disabled with a hip flexor muscle strain. In late July, the back that had bothered him on and off for years blew out and required surgery. As a result he was limited to 96 games in 1996, and only 360 at-bats. Canseco has missed more than 200 games over the last 5 years and has not played over 120 games since 1991, when he paced the American League in home runs.

In the 6'2", 190 pound Wasdin, the Red Sox acquired a good young arm with tons of upside potential. He can step into the starting rotation and help immediately. He throws a fastball, curve, and slider, and has good stuff. The beauty of the deal is that he is only 24 years old. Pitching is at a major premium these days, and the Red Sox just picked up a quality pitcher who can give them quality service time for the next ten years. This is a steal of a deal for the Red Sox, and given their habit of shipwrecking themselves in the trade waters, it's about time.

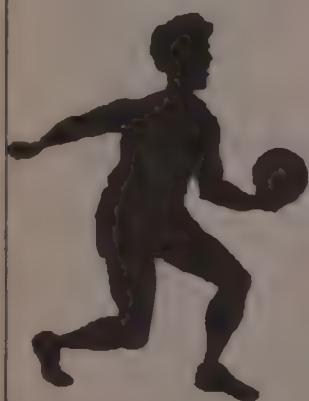
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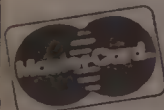
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SPORTS

The Sports Corner

Top Ten Superbowl Commercials

by David Spencer
Editor-in-Chief

Much like any year, the best action in the so-called "Superbowl" was not during the game, but rather during the commercials. Here are this year's top ten commercials, in ascending order.

#10. "Chicken Crosses the Road." In this Bud commercial, a chicken slowly crosses a highway to a bar, where upon a guy says: "guess that answers that question."

#9. "The Pepsi Club." In a show of high tech security, Robert Stack, host of Unsolved Mysteries, shows how a new "Club" type device can keep your Pepsi safe from even the most-hardened criminals.

#8. "Bob Dole Goes Home." In this Visa spot, Bob Dole goes home, where everyone knows him by name. When he goes to use a check, the lady asks him for a bizillion forms of ID. Dole counters, "I, I just can't win."

#7. "The Mouse." When the power suddenly goes out, a city power worker must quickly replace the bottle of beer in front of a mouse's running wheel.

#6. "Beauties and the Baby." Several super-models walk through a maternity ward, smiling at the babies. One of them sees the Pepsis in their hand and becomes a "Pepsi-Drinker for Life."

#5. "The Cows..." When a local convenience store is robbed of it's Pepsi, the sheriff must find the culprits. The trail leads to a local field, where the cows are grazing. One of them says:

"I think the fat one knows." The spot ends with a shot of some ground beef. "Case Closed."

#4. "Bird Divebombers." Pigeons go aiming for a Nissan. 'Nuff said.

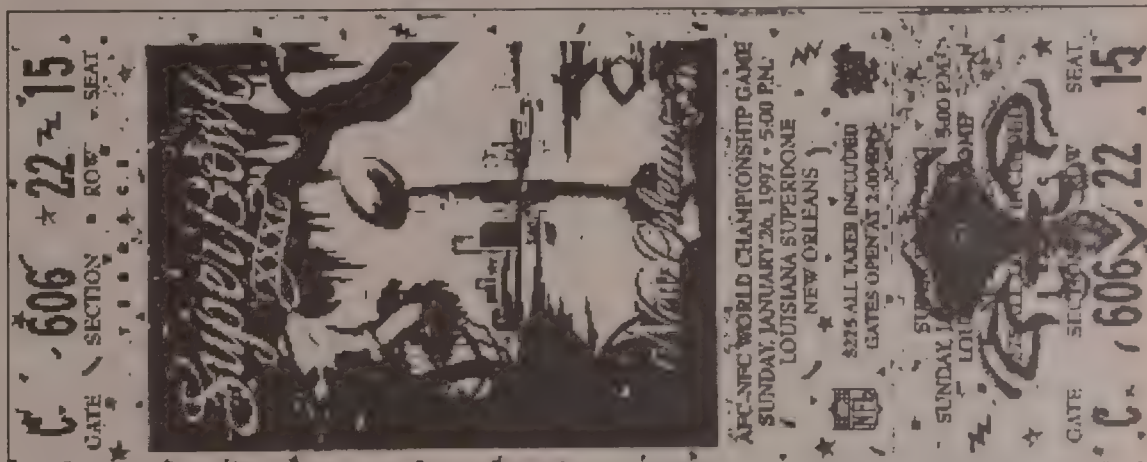
#3. "P-E-P-S-I." The Bears sing P-E-P-S-I to the tune of Y-M-C-A.

#2. "ATM's." Two ATM's get ready for the Superbowl, but don't know that it's an away game.

#1. And the number 1 commercial

from the Superbowl is..."Vader vs. Usher." When a moviegoer is too loud with his Pepsi, Darth uses the Force to crush his cup. A 70-year-old usher intervenes, and fights lightsaber to flash-light with good ol' Darth.

A special dishonorable mention goes to the way, way, way, way, overdone "Bud Bowl."



Leold™ (leold@javanet.com)

by Roger and Salem Salloom ©1996

*My girlfriend and I broke up,
but this time I felt sure that I
would always be alone....
and I would never again have
someone in my life.*

I told my dad.

*He said, "Don't feel bad. Take
comfort.*

*Being alone..... can be a
lovely peaceful gift to yourself.*

*Also, as many people have
done before you,....*

*you can spend a portion of your
life working for others and within
yourself to cultivate mercy, hope,
truth, beauty, and daylight."*

*I asked him if there was
anything of his I could break.*

*He brought me his favorite
tobacco smoking pipe. I said,
"Thanks dad."*

Life is good.



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See Coach Baker in Ath. Dept.

Now that you've survived the fall semester, why not join one of the many student Organizations! Major Organizations and Clubs exist with a variety of purposes, including SEC, WSCW, TV-11, Ski Club, L'Biga, TWA, RHPC, and, of course, the Student Voice. Below is a list of Organizations and their contact persons. You can reach them by writing a note and putting it in the appropriate mailbox on the mezzanine level of the Student Center.

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Elder Advocates	Bettyann Chamberlin
Equestrian	Marion Gomes
L'Biga	Amy Villandry
Newman Association	Robert Young
Pep Club.....	Kathie Yenovkian
REACH.....	Deborah Froelich
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Third World Alliance	Manny Gomez
WSCW Radio	Laurie Zylicz
WSTS TV-11	Christi Cruz

SGA Auction For the Homeless Sunday, February 2nd at 1pm here at Worcester State!

(Rain/snow date is February 9th at 1pm)

Attention
Communication Majors!
Come one, come all!

AERho

The National Broadcasting Society
Is having their first meeting on
Thursday, January 30th at 2:30 PM
in Studio B in the LRC

If you're serious about communica-
tions, you'll be there!!

Poetry Page

POWER

I HAVE IT ALL

I AM SUPREME
WITHIN MY BORDERS.

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WITHOUT FEAR OF PUNISHMENT
OR PAIN OF RETRIBUTION.

I AM LIKE
UNTO A GOD
UNSEEN SINCE THE DAYS
OF FAR ANCIENT GREECE.

BUT WITH MY POWER
COMES A BURDENSOME PRICE.
MY LIFE IS NOT PERFECT.
HEAVY IS THE HEAD
THAT WEARS THE CROWN.

I AM CHOSEN, NO FORCED.
BY CIRCUMSTANCE AND FATE
TO BE THE ONE.
YET THE ROLE IS HARDER
THAN MOST WOULD ASSUME.
MY REIGN IS NOT TRULY JUST.

AND SO, I SIT UPON MY GILDED THRONE
AND LOOK OUT UPON MY SUBJECTS.
TRULY THEY DID NOT CHOOSE ME.
ON MY LEFT, ARE THOSE WHO HATE ME.
ON MY RIGHT, ARE THE SYCHOPHANTS.
BEHIND ME ARE THOSE WHO
WOULD CUT OUT MY HEART, HAD THEY
BUT THE CHANCE

Joe Stalin

A Gift Unwanted

Swarming locusts
know
on Christ baby's
charred
paper doll skin
stuck on like a sticky postage stamp
to a gift box
of Austrich
asks...

Not much larger know
if we stare
he'll go faster

Three hours of Tea kettle
shrieking
over cypress fields
rained sulfur
Sznging
a purple cut
of love

Shadow

Tonight
the moon glows brighter
as if to unveil
the beauty of the figure
not quite a reality
which basks in its gaze.

Lit in stardust and moonlight,
silken and sleek
her gown kisses the curves.
Taking advantage of
the winds sudden uprising,
it ripples,
grazing a lucid shield
searching
for new contours to caress.

The moonlight serenade
of distant dixieland
and restless waves
drifts to greet
reminiscent pools of glass.

A shadow mingling with the darkness
the figure melts into dawn.

Sarah Bennett

She

Child of the night
sixteen and already older than her
mother.

set free
by a system of numbers and machines.

Left alone
to wander
in restless halls of an unsupervised
existence
in the tradition of Higher Learning.

Saying good-bye was hard
but freedom was sweet
upon first taste
easily a favorite dish.

The key had been found
her eyes newly omniscient.

Stronger, wiser
saw herself changed for the better
her mother called her cold.

The rules never changed
just the field of vision
eyes widened by life experience
submission recedes.

Chaos between two existences
comfortable, past pain
or blind adventure.

She is a lone soldier
hiking through the battlelands of calm
unable to look back
Destination unknown.

McGovern to Host Education Forum, See pg. 6 for details.



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CALENDAR

Thursday, Feb. 13

- Campus Ambassadors Spaghetti Dinner at 5:30pm

Friday, Feb. 14

- Valentine's Day

Sunday, Feb. 16

- Ice Hockey vs. Framingham State at 3pm

Monday, Feb. 17

- President's Day, No classes

Tuesday, Feb. 18

- Winter Week Begins! "SEC Goes Medieval"
- Alexander the Roving Jester Medieval Dinner
- SEC movie, The Princess Bride, SC Auditorium at 7pm
- Women's Basketball vs. Bridgewater State at 6pm
- Ice Hockey vs. Assumption at 7pm
- Men's Basketball vs. Bridgewater State at 8pm
- Last day to declare or change your major/minor.

Wednesday, Feb. 19

- Campus Ministry Pasta Supper at 6pm
- Class Competitions
- Pearl Jam Tribute Band-Itchy Fish at 7:30

Thursday, Feb. 20

- Campus Ambassadors Spaghetti Dinner at 5:30
- Ice Hockey vs. Nichols at 7pm

Friday, Feb. 21

- TWA Gospel Concert at 7:30 in Admin theatre

Saturday, Feb. 22

- Newman Trip to Boston

Sunday, Feb. 23

- Ski club trip to Stratton

Monday, Feb. 24

Tuesday, Feb. 25

- BACCHUS: "Calling it Rape"

Wednesday, Feb. 26

- Campus Ministry Pasta Supper at 6pm
- TWA play: Black Man Rising, Admin Theatre at 10:30pm
- Senior Class Trip to Medieval Manor

Thursday, Feb. 27

- Campus Ambassadors Spaghetti Dinner at 5:30pm
- Ice Hockey vs. Wentworth Institute at 7pm

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EDITORIAL PAGE

The Soapbox

Jawohl, Mein Fuhrer!, or Oh Oh, the Weatherman Says 42 Inches of Snow Again...

Last week's Soapbox was on the topic of faith, and how it is one of humanity's most necessary shortcomings. This week, I'll take a look at blind faith and obedience, and how very bad it can be.

While on the plus side, blind obedience/faith allows us the comfort of never having to worry about anything requiring any thought, one cannot have any creative or original thoughts. Using Nazi Germany as an example, thousands upon thousands of Germans followed the views of Hitler, without even batting an eye. The so-called Aryan race, the tall, blond-haired, blue eyed, physically fit ubermensch, wasn't even really part of German culture. The Scandinavians to the north fit the bill much more easily than the average German, and they on the whole did not support the views of Hitler. Hell, the entire Nazi leadership was made up of short, fat, dark-haired men. But the blind obedience of a desperate nation superseded what should have been a deficiency.

Do you see where this is leading? Many

today would think that this sort of nonsense is gone from the world. Certainly it could not exist in the forward-thinking, industrial super-power that is the United States, could it?

The answer to this, sadly, is yes. When was the last time you listened to the weather forecast? It no doubt claimed that there would be no snow, and then it snowed, or vice versa. We then either bitch that the weatherman is an idiot, or that he should be shot. Well, we should know better than to listen to someone trying to predict something in the so-called "Science of Chaos."

For those of you uninformed, Chaos theory, simply put, states that without all the information, any scientific model or experiment that tries to predict an event, will eventually break down, and lead somewhere totally unexpected. This was the entire premise behind Jurassic Park. What this means in layman's terms is that one cannot predict local weather without knowledge of what the rest of the world is like meteorologically, and even if one does know the current global weather conditions, these can be changed by cosmological events such as meteor impacts, the solar wind, etc. To put it in another way, watch someone smoke a cigarette. The smoke rises from the lit end rather orderly, then suddenly collapses into a miasma of disorderly patterns smoke. What causes it to do this? The wind is a factor, certainly. What about someone walking by? How about something entirely inconceivable to the average human mind, such as a random photon from the Sun? This is the essence of Chaos theory, boiled down for you. But I digress...

What we are doing is blindly following the best guess of someone who truly cannot predict very far into the future with any degree of accuracy. Within a day or so, predictions tend to be fairly accurate, but outside that, you should not place a wager on it. For example, last weekend (according to previous mid-week statements) there was not supposed to be any snow. Even as late as

Saturday morning, they were only predicting light snow for maybe Cape Cod. Worcester is not exactly part of Cape Cod. But, once again, I digress...

Before I bore you to death, I shall get to the point. While faith is good, and a necessary part of the human condition, too much can be a bad thing. When it gets to the point that one loses sight of the possibility of error in the part of those being devoted to, when we decide that there is no possibility other than the one devoted to, when it gets to the point that we lose ourselves to some process, we have gone too far.

David Spencer
Editor-in-Chief

Dave Spencer firmly believes that he is a god, simply because "God created man in his own image," and he is a man.

Should the Bottle Bill Be Updated?

The Bottle Bill has increased recycling and reduced litter in Massachusetts more than any other. 80% of the beer and soda containers used in Massachusetts are returned for deposit or recycled every year. The Bottle Bill needs updating despite its overwhelming success. The Bottle Bill needs to be expanded to include additional types of beverage containers such as juice, iced tea, bottled water and wine. This would improve recycling and limit litter in Massachusetts.

The updated Bottle Bill would save money for Massachusetts cities and towns, clean up our communities, protect public health, save natural resources and create jobs. The legislation has been pending for over six years, it is time the State Legislature let it pass.

Massachusetts' reliance on landfills and incinerators must be cut. Several towns in the state have lost water supplies from contamination. The updated Bottle Bill would increase recycling and decrease Massachusetts' use of incinerators and landfills.

The updated Bottle Bill will save Massachusetts residents money; as less trash will be sent to landfills and incinerators. The Bottle Bill is a recycling program without

municipal involvement.

Cleaner and safer neighborhoods would be created through the updated Bottle Bill. The Massachusetts Department of Public Works estimates that the Bottle Bill reduces litter by 35%. A Massachusetts study, in 1983, one year after the Bottle Bill took effect showed that lacerations to children were reduced by 60%, which proves that less litter translates into fewer public health problems.

An expanded Bottle Bill would create more jobs. There are sixty-five free-standing redemption centers in Massachusetts, none of whom would exist without the Bottle Bill.

The updated Bottle Bill would be a logical environmental step in Massachusetts. Residents can look forward to cleaner streets, fewer landfills, stronger recycling programs and a healthier economy, if new drink products are added to the Bottle Bill. Concerned citizens should contact their State Legislator and urge these elected officials to support the updated Bottle Bill legislation. For more information, residents can contact MASSPIRG at (617) 292-4800, or their representatives.

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Kathleen Downey Short Fiction Contest

Submissions for the Kathleen Downey Short Fiction Contest are currently being accepted.

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4. Every page should contain the social Security Number and page number.
5. Copies of the short story should be left with Carolyn Dumais in s-213 by April 8, 1997.
6. The contest is open to all full and part-time WSC students.
7. Only one selection per student may be submitted.
8. Previous Prize winners are disqualified from submitting stories.



Campus News

A Communication Disorder Indeed!

By Christopher M. Smith
Voice Staff

There was some difficulty with a phone line in room 1-1 in Chandler Village late in January. Julianna Hagelauer, a Communications Disorders major in her Sophomore year, noticed some static on her phone on the 17th. This problem continued and on the 20th she decided to unplug her phone for seven minutes in hopes that this would remedy the problem. This was unsuccessful because when she reconnected her line she realized that her phone line was now completely inoperative. Independent of Julianna's efforts to take care of the situation there was a larger problem at work that was out of her control. Some water had reached nearby phone lines and this is what really caused the problem, not Julianna unplugging her phone.

Julianna called NYNEX using another line in the building to set up a time for someone to come and take a look at the problem. The first appointment was set for the 21st and the NYNEX technician came after Julianna had left her room for a time. She made arrangements for them to come between 12:30 PM and 6:00 PM on the next day. Kerri DeMille, a Communications Disorders major in her Junior year waited from 12:30 PM to well after 6:00 PM and no one showed up. She was joined by her roommate Julianna at 2:00 PM at which time they waited together. They called NYNEX shortly after 6:00 PM on the 22nd and the representatives at NYNEX said that there was a mix up with the address and they apologized but would not send someone to look at the phone that evening. Julianna requested that they furnish her with a mobile phone or a beeper during this time because they had missed their window of opportunity to fix the problem and Julianna and Kerri were now inconvenienced and

wanted what they considered to be reasonable compensation. NYNEX refused this request and arrived on the 24th and installed a temporary line from outside through the window. At this time they contacted the Maintenance Dept. here at WSC to help them locate the wires that they needed to find to provide a permanent solution to this problem. This is where the story gets a little more complicated.

Vincent Donohue, Telecommunications Officer for WSC, has had several years of experience with communications on Campus. He stated that "All phones are individually owned by the Residents. Rooms do not come with a phone hooked up. It is the responsibility of NYNEX and the Resident to make that connection. Each unit in the Residence Halls that has a phone line is individually billed and is not part of the WSC phone system. The Resident has the option to discontinue this service when they leave and the bills end there. Ordinarily we do not get involved with this process but this situation presented us with extraordinary circumstances which we believed warranted our participation. NYNEX's responsibility ended when they could not locate a good line because AT&T is responsible for doing all in house wiring under the WSC contract. However, WSC owns all the wiring on Campus and so they hired an outside contractor to make a good line so NYNEX could complete their responsibilities."

On the 28th WSC Maintenance went up to apartment 1-1 and cut several holes in the walls to try and locate the line. They returned on the 30th to do more work. Julianna and Keri felt unsatisfied with their work and stated that they noticed that the NYNEX and the Maintenance people were unable to agree on a course of action. The two Residents also felt that one of the Maintenance workers was "unhelpful and rude"

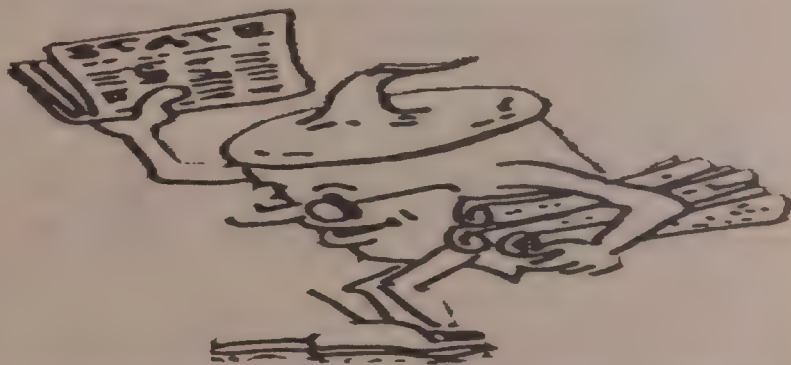
to them. They had concerns that each phone jack in the house would go and that they would have to go through this over and over again. The two Residents were not satisfied with the performance of Maintenance in the past and their concerns included a long wait for a shade and an inoperative toilet for a weekend back in October of 1996.

Bill Jarvi, Associate Director of Facilities For Construction, and Mr. Donohue feel that they have made their best efforts to accommodate the two Residents and that they will continue to be available in the future if there are more problems that they can help with. They state "We really bent over backwards to help Julianna get up and operational when she expressed concerns about communication. We are not always the first to be notified, but when we are, we respond promptly and deal with the problem. We verify that things are in order by revisiting the site after the necessary work has been completed. We can assure you that there is no larger phone problem up at the Residence Halls and that this is purely speculation that any problem exists. People have absolutely no reason to be concerned about their communications situation being compromised in any way. There are minor problems that

occur, but we are prepared to deal with them when and if they do."

A cable had to be brought in all the way from New Hampshire, but between the efforts of NYNEX and WSC maintenance, all phone jacks in the Residence Halls have been fully operational since the 3rd of this month. Julianna was planning to write a letter to Residence Housing to make sure that she didn't have to pay for all of this. Mr. Donohue stated "Julianna will not have to pay for any of this and if she receives a bill she should call us immediately. Because of the work that has been done if this happens again there will be much less work and much less confusion about getting this taken care of."

It seems that all has worked out for the best. All of the testimony of all of the people in this article is their perspective and opinion. All incidents are based on this testimony and should be regarded as subjective. Julianna and Kerri should be commended for their assertiveness and willingness to get their needs met in a timely and respectful fashion. WSC Maintenance acted within the boundaries of their responsibilities and performed their job to the best of their ability and NYNEX did as well.



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Campus News

MC GOVERN TO SPONSOR EDUCATION FORUM

by Teresa M. Iaconi

Special to the Student Voice

On Tuesday, February 18th, the office of U.S. Representative James P. McGovern and Worcester State College will be hosting an education teleconference from the Blue Lounge in the Student Center. All members of the WSC community are invited to attend this exciting event, which will begin promptly at 11:00 a.m. The highlight of the forum will be the live satellite address by U.S. Secretary of Education Ri-

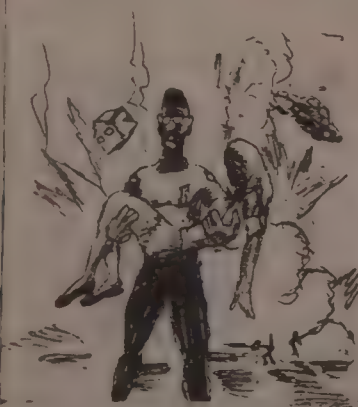
chard Riley on the State of Education from the Carter Center in Atlanta; the address will be followed by a panel discussion featuring members of the educational community. All are strongly encouraged to attend this event, given the importance of the issues to be discussed. For more information, please contact Gladys Rodriguez-Parker, Third District Director, at 831-7356, or contact Teresa Iaconi, Intern, here on campus at 754-2313.



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JACK DOGG

by Claudio Salazar



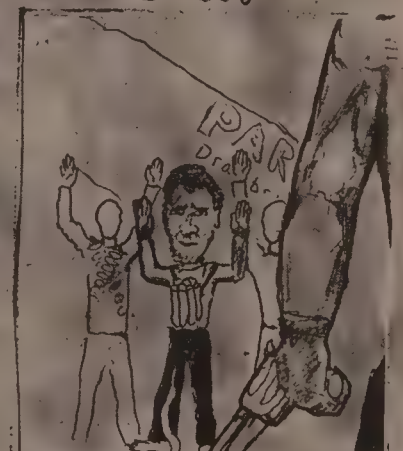
... And so, all is not lost. There are some who still have not heard the stories and legends... but for all us innocent unscathed with his dumb, wretched... a typical week in the life of Jack Dogg...



... Monday he spent the day cleaning up his pad so he could throw a party — for entertainment, he didn't have enough cash for a band so he performed some gigs he had learned while working for a freak show a couple years back...



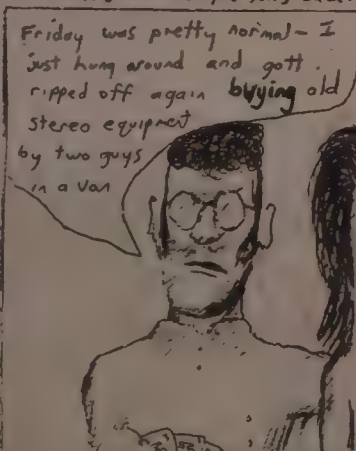
... Tuesday he worked on the rescue team following the tragedy at Rollins Soda Factory where an earthquake took place causing the soda to explode like a hydrogen bomb and flatten the area...



... Wednesday he continued in his side job as a drawbridge controller only to discover Woody Harrelson and some of his eco-warrior friends vandalizing the equipment again...



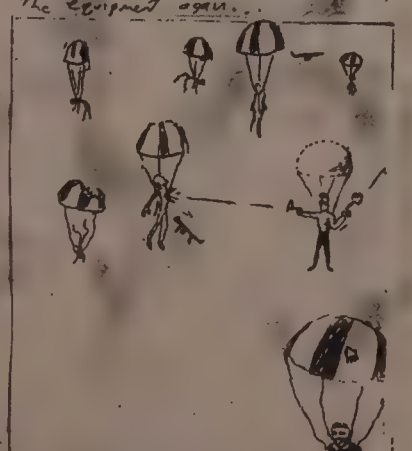
Thursday he unraveled the scandal at Mai's Chinese restaurant as the kitchen staff gets fired for distributing propaganda through the fortune cookies...



Friday was pretty normal — I just hung around and got ripped off again by two guys in a van buying old stereo equipment...



... Saturday he finds a new sport called Kiwea which becomes the national official pastime in Sri Lanka...



By week's end, Jack of course pays his bills; that same day he is invited to topskydiving and take part in a wedding being held during the jump, but it turns out to be a terrorist plot... but that's another story...



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Dear Prospective Member:

Liberia should have a special place in the conscience of the United States of America. Its impetus to become a nation came from the United States. For 149 years, it was a stalwart ally of the United States. Yet for the past years, as a civil war has taken almost 200,000 lives, displaced more than two-thirds of the population and destroyed its infrastructure, the United States has treated this great tragedy as a regional problem.

Liberia has a unique historical and cultural link to the United States. Settled by African Americans, many of them former slaves, in the early decades of the 19th century, Liberia became a republic in 1847. The United States influence on Liberia is reflected in the African nation's constitution, the star and stripes of its red, white and blue flag, the structure of its government, the names of its cities, its schools' curriculum, its official language and the remarkable degree of good will its citizens feel toward America. Through all the major conflicts of the 20th century, Liberians have been among the most dependable allies of the United States. In both World Wars, Liberia declared war on the enemies of the United States and offered vital air bases, ports, and natural resources to support the United States military. During the Cold War, Liberia voted with the United States on every significant resolution at the United Nations. It hosted facilities for electronic monitoring and became the largest base for United States intelligence-gathering in Africa.

Yet when Liberia's security was most at risk because of civil conflict the United States government deferred to ECOWAS, an under-funded regional organization composed of some of the world's poorest nations. Half of the \$10 million earmarked by the United States to support a peacekeeping force had not been committed by April 1996. Meanwhile, the cost to the United States of responding to the humanitarian crisis since 1990 has been emergency relief assistance valued at over \$445 million, over \$66 million provided in the past year alone, more than eight times the amount committed to peacekeeping.

In the absence of a viable security plan, the torrent of refugees continues to undermine Liberia's relations with its immediate neighbors. Though the United States has implored those nations to admit Liberian refugees, its own record of Liberian admissions decries the long relationship with that nation.

The approach to achieving peace in Liberia has revolved around the ECOWAS process for six years. This process has, in turn, been dependent on a core group of ECOWAS nations with the will and very limited resources to engage in diplomacy or to commit forces for peacekeeping. Fourteen peace agreements have been largely brokered without the United States and other international parties, such as the United Nations or OAU, present with ECOWAS as working partners at the negotiating table. The result of this agreement and the resources, and leverage, necessary for successful implementation. This failure to produce a concerted approach to all aspects of the peace process, from mediation to negotiation and implementation, produced the tragic results that we have witnessed in Liberia.

On August 17 the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) concluded meetings that provide a new timetable for the peace process. Starting August 20, the warring factions are to observe a cease-fire, dismantle checkpoints and withdraw from zones of combat. The peacekeeping force, expanding from 8500 to 18000 troops, is to deploy throughout Liberia in November. Demobilization is to be completed by January 31. Elections are to be held on May 31 with a turnover to an elected government on June 15. The revised plan calls for sanctions against members of the warring factions that obstruct the peace process. Sanctions include restrictions on travel, freeze on economic activities, exclusion from electoral process, and war crime charges.

Now the United States has another opportunity to assert its international leadership at a critical juncture to ensure that the success of the new peace process. This leadership will not lead to an involvement of United States troops. It does mean that the United States must heighten its diplomatic efforts to help coordinate the process of peace and gather the funding that is necessary for effective peacekeeping and demobilization in Liberia.

The United States should take the necessary steps to ensure that its commitment of \$30 million to support the ECOMOG peacekeeping force is obligated before the end of the fiscal year 1996. While the United States pledge of \$30 million is a step in the right direction it will not alone enable a doubling of ECOMOG to the 18,000 troops necessary for deployment by November. It is vital that the United States provide additional funds to make up this shortfall or take the lead to obtain significant pledges from other donor countries.

A top priority of the United States should be the implementation of a serious program for demobilizing Liberia's combatants. Regrettably, no additional funding has been pledged by the United States to improve what was an inadequately funded and designed demobilization plan. In fact, some of the funds allocated in early 1996 for reintegration of Liberia's 60,000 combatants have been diverted elsewhere. The United States should take the lead in designing a comprehensive demobilization program. This program will not involve United States troops, but should include the resources for every stage of demobilization from encampment to training and counseling of combatants. A contribution of \$20 million (non-food related) from the United States will provide the resources necessary to initiate a well-conceived demobilization program and encourage future contributions from other international donors.

President Clinton and the United States Congress must make Liberia a priority on our foreign relations agenda in Africa. United States leadership is critical if the key elements are to be achieved on schedule under the new peace plan. This leadership will not lead to an involvement of United States troops. It does mean that the United States through its Special Envoy, must heighten its diplomatic efforts to coordinate the implementation of the peace process and gather the additional resources necessary for effective peacekeeping and demobilization.

The United States should strengthen the response of the international community to the needs of the peace process. The foundation for a new international approach to the peace process already exists with the International Contact Group for Liberia, the group of donor countries that have pledged support to the peace process. The concept behind the ICGL should be expanded to a tightly coordinated partnership that includes the United States, ECOWAS, and the United Nations. This high level of cooperation will ensure that scarce resources are effectively utilized.

The outbreak of fighting in Monrovia in April-May of 1996 was the latest in a series of clashes in Liberia's intractable war. During the past nearly seven years, the war has produced shocking humanitarian conditions for Liberian civilians. The most recent fighting exacerbated even further these conditions. Humanitarian assistance organizations have been unable to deliver food and other emergency services because of the fighting in Monrovia. Their resources looted by gangs of combatants and the safety of their relief workers threatened, these organizations closed or dramatically reduced their operations in Liberia.

As a result of the civil war in Liberia, an estimated 800,000 Liberians are internally displaced; another 800,000 are refugees in neighboring countries that are among the poorest in the world. Approximately 50 % of the population in Monrovia, upwards of 350,000 persons, were forced to flee their homes due to the April-May fighting and another 3,000 died. During June-July some 3,300 new cases of cholera were reported in Monrovia and a July survey found malnutrition rates for children in displaced shelters have increased up to 25%. Now that the dust of the Civil War in Liberia is settling down, an era of a NEW LIBERIA is at hand. Whether anyone likes it or not, a leadership is bound to emerge, supposedly to shoulder the national responsibilities of politics and administration and to ensure the continued survival of the Liberian people and culture.

That such leadership will be genuine and committed is a matter that you as Liberians and friends of Liberia can decide, or at least influence. But choosing national leadership is a serious and difficult business. In Liberia, bombed-out homes and shops are painful reminders of what happens when leaders are chosen unwisely. We cannot allow this to happen again. This is why the Liberian Social Justice Foundation is campaigning for PEACE, SECURITY, SOCIAL, ECONOMIC, EDUCATIONAL AND POLITICAL JUSTICE IN LIBERIA.

The Liberian Social Justice Foundation has carefully examined the administrative and operational policies of both the past and present administration in Liberia, and in our candid opinion, much more needs to be done to help Liberia go in the direction she needs to go. We as Liberians must try to have a positive influence on the selection of the national programs and the corresponding leadership which will inevitably affect our lives and the lives of our people for many years to come.

My fellow Liberians and Friends of Liberia, the Liberian Social Justice Foundation has embarked on a mission to ensure that PEACE, UNITY, SECURITY, FREEDOM AND SOCIAL JUSTICE prevail in Liberia. This is an awesome responsibility that can only occur if we cooperate as a team. History will judge us not by what we say, but by what we do. With God and the determined mind, there is nothing we cannot achieve for our Liberian Society. It is in this light that I urge you to support and contribute to the Liberian Social Justice Foundation's programs.

Liberia, the African nation established in the 1800s by freed American slaves, has been torn by civil war since 1989. What does the Liberian Civil War mean to Americans in terms of health care, humanitarian relief, stability throughout Africa and the continuation of missionary work? If you share in the dream of peace in Liberia, a country founded upon American ideals, you are invited to become more informed by writing to the LIBERIAN SOCIAL JUSTICE FOUNDATION, POST OFFICE BOX 31438, CINCINNATI, OHIO 45231. (513) 931-1872.

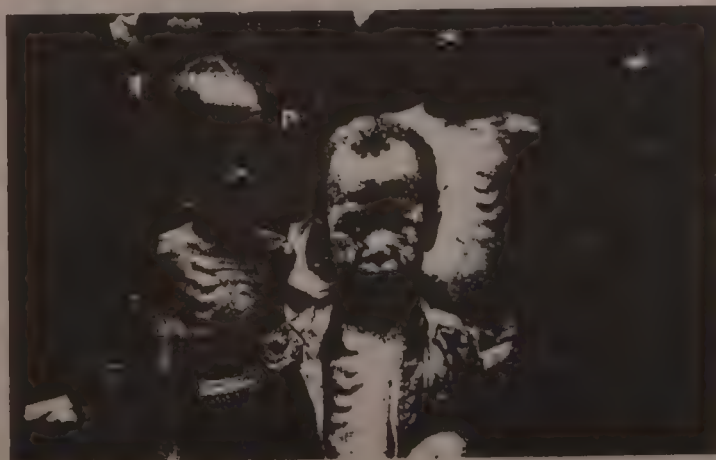
I am writing to introduce you to the Liberian Social Justice Foundation, Inc., a broad-based social nonprofit organization. The mission of the LSJFI is two-fold: we are dedicated to restoring a just and stable society in Liberia, and to improving the quality of life for all Liberians, both at home and abroad.

On behalf of our members, I appeal to you for financial assistance in support of LSJFI activities. An application for membership is included which contains a breakdown of membership fees. Please know that any amount you can contribute will be helpful to us. Your support of the Foundation, and your awareness of its concerns is deeply appreciated. Should you have any questions or suggestions, please feel free to write us or call. Thank you for your time, your contribution, and your generosity. Checks and money orders should be made payable to the Liberian Social Justice Foundation, Inc.

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Faces of hunger in Liberia

Liberian children await arrival of a food convoy in Tubmanburg, 50 miles north of Monrovia. The city was cut off for months by fighting. People surrounded the trucks Wednesday; when bags of wheat were opened, they grabbed handfuls and ate it uncooked. **World/A8**

Spotlight On: James Cooper

By Kristy Servant
Student Activities Intern

To many people, the thought of the white, powdery stuff, (snow, I mean), conjures up images of slow traffic and school delays. To skiers and snowboarders, however, the question is, "How fast can I get on the mountain?" There just so happens to be an organization devoted to such a rally cry. The W.S.C. Ski and Snowboard club "provides growth and responsibility for any active member in the club. The club holds fundraisers such as bake sales, candy drives, events and projects. All members are encouraged to participate and have fun. The club provides four to five ski trips a season, including a week trip over winter break. Members are encouraged to give suggestions," according to the Ski and Snowboard club President, James Cooper.

Mr. Cooper has obviously learned the art

of balancing a college class load, while remembering to have fun and take time out for himself. The Ski and Snowboard club allows the students of W.S.C. to socialize off campus while doing something that they love. According to Mr. Cooper, "The club has been involved in fundraisers for students. We have had ski swaps in the past. Most important is that we do a lot of skiing and boarding." This semester the club planned three day trips to ski areas. Although the ski trips have been successful, Mr. Cooper stated that, "I would like to see more participation in students commuting and on campus. I would also like to see some trips go out west."

New members are always welcome to join the Ski and Snowboard club. When asked how he became involved in the organization, Mr. Cooper answered, "I first became involved by being an active member. Then

the following semester I took over the Presidency." The transition from active membership in an organization, to an executive position can be an exciting and rewarding challenge. But, unless you become involved in a student organization, you may let this opportunity slip by.

"Getting involved in an organization is a great experience. You will meet a lot of people and go different places. My advice, (for students interested in joining a student organization), would be to explore new ideas. You don't know unless you try; you could be missing the time of your life. I encourage everyone to get involved, not just

with the ski club, but with all the organizations. It is a great opportunity to grow within yourself," Mr. Cooper stated.

To get involved in the Ski and Snowboard club, call 793-8000, extension 8565 and leave a message for Mr. Cooper. If you want to become involved in other student organizations, call the Student Activities Office at 793-8000, extension 8073. The Student Activities Office is an excellent resource for commuter students, resident students, faculty, and staff. Stop by the second floor of the Student Center and check us out!!



Ski Club President Jim Cooper

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Arts & Entertainment

Dining Out the College Way With Trish and Roula



After a painting block involving abstract expressionism we decided it was time for some food. We opted on Christo's of 97 Stafford Street, a lovely homelike restaurant with a relaxed atmosphere. We came through the side door and bypassed the bar area. We know realize that was a mistake. We sat in the dining area and proceeded to have lunch with a roomful of a much older crowd.

Roula ordered coke and I went for a nice, hot, strong cup of coffee just the way I need it. Anyway, I ordered the soup and a 1/2 sandwich combo. The onion soup was delicious but the tuna sandwich was a bit small. Aside from that for \$3.95, I had my money's worth. Our meal was very enjoyable as we took part in the celebration of Aunt Bertha's 86th birthday. Everyone cheerfully applauded the birthday girl as she blew out the candles.

I had the Chicken a la King for \$4.95. This is white and brown meat with peas and cream sauce. It tasted delicious. It came with a side of potatoes and vegetables. I asked for the fries and corn. The meal could not have been any better and my portions were just right.

They offer a variety of plates including Italian and seafood. Also salads, gourmet burgers, and sandwiches from the deli are available all at reasonable prices.

As Roula said, Christo's has very reasonable prices and large well-balanced portions. The bar or lounge area is probably a more comfortable place to eat in because of its relaxed atmosphere. The dining room is more appropriate if you're taking Granny out for a homecooked meal away from home.

As my Italian friend's mother always says, "Manga."



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give me money,
and buy me stuff....*

*I also want you to love me
completely and only have me on
your mind every single moment
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*I said "O.K. honey. I can
do that... but first I have to go out
for a loaf of bread and never come
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Arts & Entertainment

The Comic Strip

By Dave Spencer
Editor-in-Chief

Look for Amalgam: Part 2 in April, when DC and Marvel again join forces to rake in the dough. This year's titles are: JLX Unleashed, Generation Hex, Dark Claw Adventures, Lobo the Duck, Super-Soldier: Man of War, Bat-Thing, Challengers of the Fantastic, Thorion of the New Asgods, Iron Lantern, The Exciting X-Patrol, Spider-Boy Team-Up, and Magnetic Men Featuring Magneto.

Marvel's Thunderbolts debuts next week. Their first opponent: The Wrecking Crew.

Due to time constraints, I will be unable to write this column for the remainder of the semester. If any readers out there would like to take over, you can contact me at the Office of the Student Voice. We are located in the Student Center, in room C317, on the top floor. The phone number here is (508) 754-2313. I hope to hear from you soon!

Suggested Titles are in **bold type**.

OUT THIS WEEK:

DC Comics

This is a list of books scheduled to be in stores this week from DC Comics.

Animaniacs #24, Azrael #28, Batman #541, Green Arrow #119, **Impulse #24**, Jack Kirby's Fourth World #2, Legionnaires #47, Night Force #5, **The Shade #1**, Sovereign Seven #21, Supergirl #8, and Superman #122.

Helix Comics

This is a list of books scheduled to be in stores this week from Helix Comics.

Black Lamb #6, and Brainbanx #2.

Marvel Comics

This is a list of books scheduled to be in stores this week from Marvel Comics.

Amazing Spider-Man #422, Avengers #6, Generation X #26, Ghost Rider #84, Journey Into Mystery #508, Marvel Adventures #1, Professor X and the X-Men #18, Star Trek: DS9 #6, Untold Tales of Spider-Man 320, X-Factor #133, and X-Men: Lost Tales #1.

Milestone Media

This is a list of books scheduled to be in stores this week from Milestone Media.

Static #46.

Vertigo

This is a list of books scheduled to be in stores this week from Vertigo.

Essential Vertigo: The Sandman #9, and House of Secrets #7.

OUT NEXT WEEK:

DC Comics

This is a list of books scheduled to be in stores this week from DC Comics.

Adventures of Superman #545, Aquaman #31, Aztek #9, Batman and Robin Adventures #17, Batman Chronicles #8, **Batman: The Long Halloween #5**, Challengers of the Unknown #3, Detective Comics #708, Lobo #38, and Superboy #38.

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Gemini Blood #8, and Time Breakers #4.

Marvel Comics

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Excalibur #249, Incredible Hulk #452, **Iron Man #6**, Peter Parker #79, Punisher #18, Star Trek: Starfleet Academy #5, **Thunderbolts #1**, What If...? #96, X-Man #26, and X-Men #63.

Vertigo

This is a list of books scheduled to be in stores this week from Vertigo.

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stores this week from DC Comics.

Action Comics #732, Batman: Legends of the Dark Knight #93, Birds of Prey: Revolution, Catwoman #44, Flash #124, **Hitman #13**, Legion of Super-Heroes #91, Robin #40, Scare Tactics #5, Spectre #52, Superboy and the Ravers #52, Teen Titans #7, and Wonder Woman #120.

Helix Comics

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Vermillion #7.

Marvel Comics

This is a list of books scheduled to be in stores this week from Marvel Comics.

2099: World of Tomorrow #8, Capt. America #6, **Deadpool #4**, Elektra #6, Juggler-

naut, Silver Surfer #126, Spectacular Spider-man #245, Star Trek: Early Voyages #3, Venom: On Trial #2, Wolverine #112, and X-Force #65.

Milestone Media

This is a list of books scheduled to be in stores this week from Milestone Media.

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Vertigo

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Essential Vertigo: Swamp Thing #6, Hellblazer #112, and The Invisibles #3.



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SPORTS

More Hockey Than You Can Shake A Stick At

By Mike Coccozzella
Sports Editor

Worcester State hockey fans, your time is now. This is probably the most comprehensive hockey article ever written about the Lancers. Absolutely anything you want to find out about your beloved team is here. It has stats, facts, dates, games, goals, checks, pucks, and credit card numbers. I spared no expense, and can honestly tell you that when it comes to the Lancers, the puck stops here.

Without further ado, let us introduce the members of the Lancer Hockey Team. If you're looking for your name in here, don't blink, because it will go by very quickly.

Roll the credits!

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 As you can see, this is a very close-knit club.
 The Head Coach is John Guiney, the Assistant
 Coaches are Brian Allain and Don Sharry,
 and the team captains are Paul Connor,
 Kayne Bosma, Keith Blanchette,
 and John Gladu.

FUN FACTS

Senior forward Matt "Wayne Gretzky" Donovan of West Springfield has reached the 100 career scoring plateau. He has 51

goals and 53 assists for 104 career points. Leading Worcester State's scoring attack are Tom Mazza, (15 goals 14 assists), Kayne Bosma, (13 goals 18 assists), Matt Donovan (14 goals 15 assists), and Paul Connor (12 goals 15 assists). Worcester State is a member of the ECAC, which has three divisions: North, South, and Central. Worcester State plays teams from all three and is a member of the North Division, which consists of Worcester State, Plymouth State, Fitchburg State, Roger Williams (How did he get in there?), Framingham State, Nichols and Curry. Goalie Jason Maynard is a one-man embargo against North teams who engage

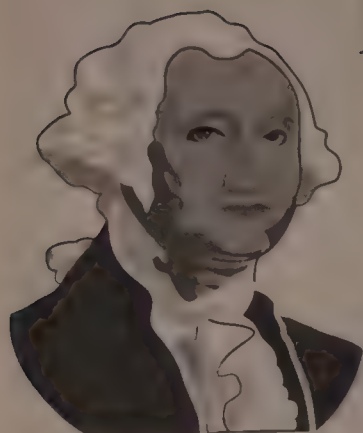
themselves in the business of hockey puck exchange. He is the North's leading goalie, with a 2.94 goals against average. Non-inclusive of last night's game at Curry, The Lancers have 9 wins, 8 losses, and 2 ties on the overall tally. They play out the remainder of their schedule at home this month, facing off against Framingham State on Sunday the 16th, Assumption on Tuesday the 18th, Nichols on Thursday the 20th, and Wentworth on Thursday the 27th. The Lancers play all their home games at the Hart Center at Holy Cross College, so go and join in the fun. Be sure to give the visiting team an icy reception.

Worcester State College's Athletic Department is putting together a 24-hour Volleyball Marathon to benefit the children of Why Me?, a non-profit, charitable organization which helps children with cancer. The marathon will be held on April 18th and 19th from 5PM to 5PM in the Worcester State Gym. One team from each of the consortium colleges will hopefully participate. Worcester State needs 8 players, male or female, willing to find 10 sponsors at \$24 per sponsor.

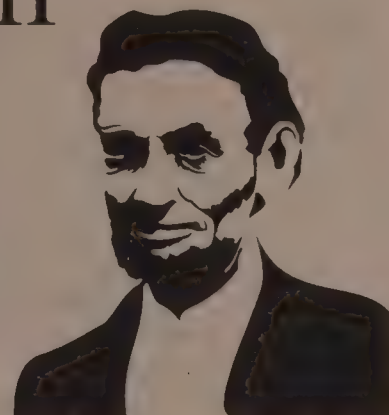
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SPORTS

For The Lady Lancers, Hoop Springs Eternal

by Michael Cocozzella
Sports Editor

Hey, basketball fans, have you been looking for a viable team on which to unleash your affections since the Celtics became the laughingstock of, well, the human race? Why not start with the Worcester State Lady Lancers, ten energetic, young, and talented girls who never go gently into any night, good or bad. Night, in, night out, they give it everything they've got, from the opening tap to the final buzzer.

The Lancers' record now stands at 9-10, not counting yesterday's matchup with Westfield State. Their relative youth bodes well for their future success. Six of the ten girls currently on the Lancer roster, guards Jen Chauvin, Mandy Lok, Jenn Leykamm, Diadra Bly, Meghan Inzerillo, and forward Renee Marcotte are either froshes or sophomores. Center Jena Murray is the lone senior. All the Lady Lancers need to be a formidable team is a little more experience.

Sophomore guard Mandy Lok is the

Lancers' leading scorer, averaging 13.3 points per game. Jena Murray's deadly arsenal features ferocious rebounding and a pinpoint accurate shot. Murray snags an astounding 9.8 rebounds per game, best on the team, and scores 11.5 points per game, second best on the team, while she shoots the rock at a .515 clip. The Lady Lancers will surely miss her awesome presence in the lineup next year.

Karen Tessmer is the head coach of the Lancers. Her assistants are Ben Finkelstein and Dan Mendes. The Lancers round out their regular season schedule this month with games at Framingham State on the 13th, North Adams State on the 15th, at home against Bridgewater State on the 18th, and at Salem State on the 22nd. They participate in the MASCAC Tourney on the 25th, 27th, and March 1.

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Food will be available

Wednesday, February 19th

10am-2pm Class Competitions SC Exhibit Area
French Bread Jousting, Ice Sculptures
and more!!

8pm SEC Presents **Itchy Fish** SC Exhibit Area
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Thursday, February 20th

11am-3pm Class Competitions Continued SC Exhibit Area
Trivia Pursuit, Blind Volleyball
and Scavenger Hunt

7:30pm Lip Sync Contest with Comic Me N/S Auditorium
Announcing of Class
Competition Winners

SEC's in the Middle Ages



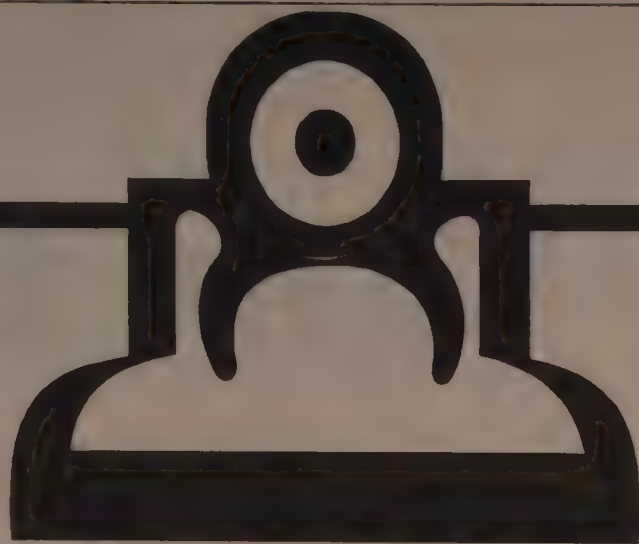
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Thursday, Feb. 27

- Campus Ambassadors Spaghetti Dinner at 5:30pm
- Ice Hockey vs. Wentworth Institute at 7pm
- TWA Fashion Show

Friday, Feb. 28

- Dance at One Lancer Place

Saturday, March 1

- Open Campus
- SEC New York Trip

Monday, March 3

- Campus Ambassadors Band "Raging Grace" 11am-1pm

Tuesday, March 4

- SEC Movie, "The Long Kiss Goodnight" at 3/7pm

Wednesday, March 5

- Campus Ministry Pasta Supper at 6pm

Thursday, March 6

- Open Campus
- Campus Ambassadors Spaghetti Dinner at 5:30pm

Saturday, March 8

Spring Break begins in earnest

Monday, March 17

- St. Patrick's Day

Wednesday, March 19

- TWA day
- Campus Ministry Pasta Supper at 6pm
- St. Joseph's Day, Spain

Thursday, March 20

- Campus Ambassadors Spaghetti Dinner at 5:30pm
- First Day of Spring

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EDITORIAL PAGE

The Soapbox

"I Shall Never Put Off Until Tomorrow, What I Can Forget About Forever"

Once upon a time, when someone gave their word to do something, it got done. When this was, I'm not sure, but, at one point at least, throughout the whole of human history it must have existed.

Nowadays, however, this has been forgotten by the majority of people. If an action is undesirable, it is relegated to the level of unnecessary work. It keeps getting pushed back in the list of priorities until it is too late to do anything.

Not that some things are not more important than others. Several have valid excuses for not doing something they have agreed to do. Other, more important tasks must come first. Family and friends must always be considered a primary responsibility.

When one is presented with a task, it is at that point that a protest to the work should be lodged. One should not wait until it is too late for anything to be done about it.

Unfortunately, one tries to take on too many responsibilities, or is just plain too lazy, and cannot or will not do what has been agreed to.

Too often is this the case. This leads to hurt feelings, and at the very least, an absence of work getting done.

Letters to the Editor

Should Smoking Be Allowed Between the Buildings?

CC: The Worcester Telegram and Gazette

The Student Voice
Dean Paul Joseph

January 29, 1996

President Kalyan K. Ghosh
Worcester State College
486 Chandler Street
Worcester, MA 01602-2597

Dear President Ghosh:

I am writing this letter because I am concerned about not only my health, but the health of other students and faculty.

There is very limited space between the Sullivan Building and the Administration Building. I don't know for sure, but the distance seems to only be about 100'. I am always amazed and somewhat disillusioned when I try to get from one building to the other at the number of students that walk out the door and immediately light up cigarettes, especially in this area.

I don't smoke. I don't wish to. Yet every time I walk out one of those doors, I am forced to. If I don't hold my breath between the two buildings, I get the taste and smell of someone's cigarette.

I know that the dangers are somewhat lessened outside, and it is preferable to have the smokers outside rather than in, but perhaps a ban between the buildings may be in order.

UMASS Medical has instituted a policy that doesn't allow anyone to smoke within so many feet of the building. This is a better policy than the one we have. A medical building that condones smoking at all is a contradiction. The same holds true for a school. Ideally, smoking should be banned from campus altogether. Since I realize that this is a pipe dream (pardon the pun) won't you please institute a policy that prohibits smoking between the buildings so that I and others may breathe?

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Roxanne Robert
Class of '99

I would like to apologize in advance for any offense I may cause Ms. Robert or anyone else in my response. The central message in her letter is smoking between the Admin and Sullivan Buildings. Due to certain laws and campus policies, smoking is prohibited inside any of the buildings on campus. Presently, we are ostracizing smokers simply for using a legal substance to help "calm their nerves," or whatever excuse they will give you, which will vary from person to person. We tell them, "okay, if you want to smoke, you have to stand outside, regardless of weather conditions, and do it there." Now you would have us tell them that they can't smoke outside either?

You bring up an interesting point that "a medical building that condones smoking...is a contradiction." And that the same is true for a school. But, is it not the school's job to educate, and allow one to have many different experiences? You have already decided that you don't like smoking, and that is your right. Others, however, have decided that they do like their cigarettes.

You mention the UMASS policy on smoking. That sort of policy would not work on our campus for the following reason. Every section of this campus can be classified by one of the following types: Building, Residence Hall, Parking Lot or Playing Field. The only areas that do not qualify for these are the areas near the doors you mention, and Lake Ellie.

I volunteer for a charity BINGO almost every Sunday night. I am not a smoker, but I sit in an enclosed room for 4-6 hours with 150-300 smokers, and smoke-eaters that tend not to work. So I, more than most people, understand your point. However, if you're so concerned with breathing others' smoke between Admin and Sullivan, why not take the underground tunnel between them? It connects to the staircases at the nearer ends of the buildings.

If smoking continues to assault your sensibilities, I believe I have an appropriate solution. We can create, in each building, a small smoking lounge, where smokers can

go to "smoke a butt." These rooms would be equipped with several smoke-eating devices to clear the air. After this a ban on outdoors smoking would possibly be appropriate. This, I believe would please most everybody. Smokers can stay indoors on rainy days. Non-Smokers only have to smell

their smoke if they go into the smoking lounges. Other than under this circumstance, I cannot see the appropriateness of a smoking ban.

David Spencer
Editor-in-Chief

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Spotlight On: Laurie Zylicz

by Kristy Servant
Student Activities Intern

This week's Student Activities spotlight is on Laurie Zylicz, of Worcester State's own low-power FM radio station. Ms. Zylicz is the General Manager of the station and believes "at WSCW we provide a variety of music for all students on campus. We also give students opportunities to learn the business side of radio." Ms. Zylicz is extremely proud of the fact that the station is low-power FM, which started last week, so that all of the college community can hear their music. The station can be heard on 94.9FM on the parameters of the campus.

In the past you may have noticed benefit concerts that the station put on, "they usually involve two or more bands, (all local bands), to help give bands exposure to more people. We also DJ at the WSC pub and for other organizations that ask for our assistance," Ms. Zylicz added. More benefit concerts are also planned for in the near future, but right now the main concern is to get the station running as smoothly and as professionally as possible.

The station's DJs meet in L112 every Tuesday at 3:30pm and are in search of new DJ's to fill weekend slots. Being a DJ can provide experience to students entering a communications field or any other related field. Being a new DJ myself, I can say that the first time is a little nerve-racking, but every time after is a joy. Ms. Zylicz was originally a DJ and she stated that, "A friend of mine convinced me to go on with her. Later on my sophomore year, I was promoted to co-partnership as music director and public relations person. Now, in my junior year, I am the General Manager." Anyone who has seen or talked to Ms. Zylicz knows of her devotion to the station. She strives for the best quality and expects nothing less from the station's DJ's.

Ms. Zylicz advice to aspiring members of student organizations is, "Join- don't ever be afraid. Every organization will always welcome you with open arms. The best college life is the one you use to its fullest potential." Being involved in many student organizations, Ms. Zylicz knows the art of balancing very well. "Even though I run this station per say. We wouldn't have this station without our 37 DJ's. They are all wonderful and deserve a lot of credit. My executive staff has also worked very hard. We all can agree that we've made the station what it is today," Ms. Zylicz emphasized.

Again, new DJ's are needed and anyone interested should contact Ms. Zylicz at 793-8000 extension 8512. Training is provided and an executive staff member will sit through the first show the new DJ puts on.

Wanna get involved in Student Activities and student organizations? Come to the mezzanine level of the Student Center or call the Student Activities Office at 793-8000 extension 8073.

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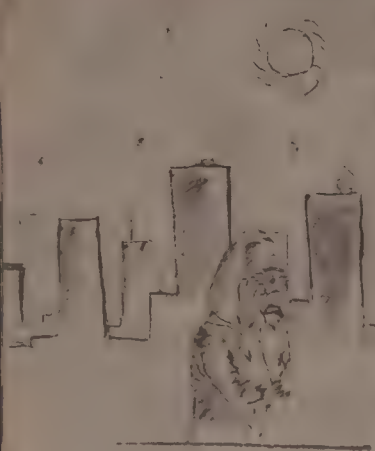
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by Claudio Salazar



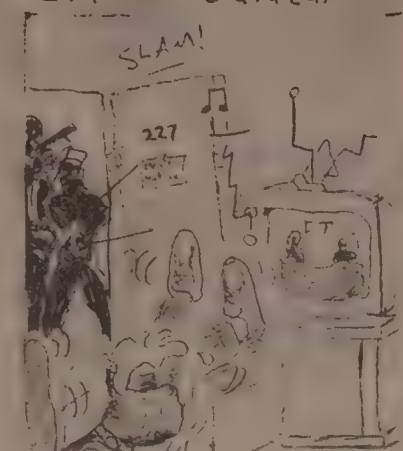
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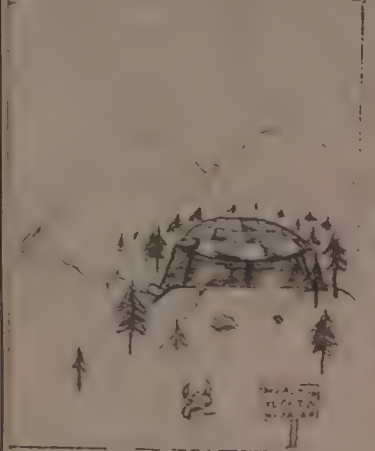
This is not the kind of place where you can find, or would you ever find people in fat guy bodysuits distributing weight you products to bystanders on the street



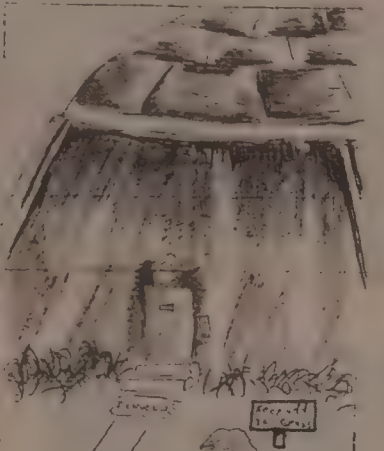
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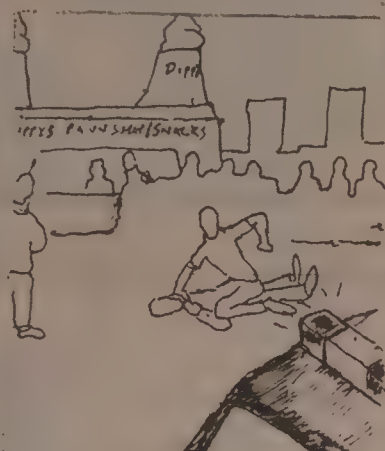
Yes, neither thieves, call girls, or people watching 'Entertainment Tonight' cannot be found here in this place where neither distress or turbulence of modern society abides



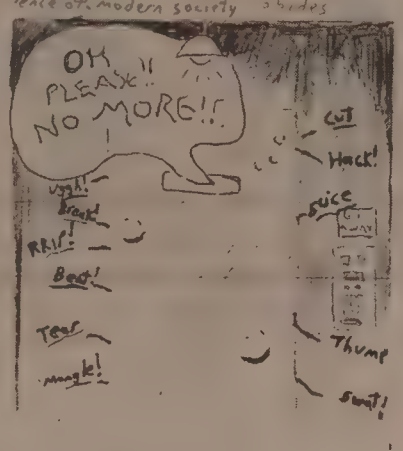
This is simply a biodome; another surged-freaky contradiction to industrialized civilization - ironically built in Hinner Hanks



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- And so the say - However strange things that have been happening in real life, do not exist here, they tell you.



yet whispers speak of weird tales happening here that they don't want you to hear...

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Poetry Page

Aquarius

the sun calls the dust to move
 making a dark ritual of crumbling flesh
 daylight prevents the competition of the moon
 but cannot hide the night as well as
 it thinks
 and so your skin does decay
 sheathing dead cells
 continuously in search for new life
 failing
 leaving dried out flesh in your wake
 ready for erosion
 and redistribution
 you are falling apart
 and now who carries the water?
 the seeds?
 the pale cream blood-filled skin?
 reach in vain
 my figurehead blond soldier
 stretch cracks in your skin
 that can never be fixed
 my moisture and clot are the mortar you need
 my lips the cool kiss
 calming death and night
 untouched by the sun
 I run circles around you
 kicking the dung-skin away
 eliminating Osiris' beetle
 here it is only you and I
 and the ground you fertilize behind you
 where I feed off the strength
 you discard
 mold it to my own devices
 and kick and kick
 never on my back
 never burned by the sun
 and certainly not thrown away by you

Renee Arnold

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Circles within circles
 debut upon my mind without promise
 Fermenting echos of wounds bleed
 Consuming distractions
 provide no impunity
 from a callous that has grown
 on my soul
 Is it so dramatic and worthy of time?
 Am I so complex, is any one?
 The fruits of my labor reveal to me
 what I have known all along
 That my uniqueness is not in my pain
 but rather, it is my ability to
 bring warmth and love to myself
 and others as well
 The journey doesn't always have to
 lead to such dark and remote recesses
 of my soul
 It is about me!
 It has always been about me!
 Not so much in a selfish sense,
 but in terms of my responsibility
 to myself
 I choose to go in a healthy and
 positive direction
 I will determine my stride if it is
 my stride that I am gauged by
 I will perish no more in effigy
 upon the burdens of fear and shame

Christopher M. Smith

*Ever fall in love
 with a shadow?
 Reach back*

*past
 your most forbidden
 pleasures,
 to the iris of
 her eyes
 and consider
 why you've left*

*creamy wrists
 delicate
 as the crushed
 droplets
 of her breath shifting
 within narrow confines
 of light
 before my eyes
 to a singular
 human*

*presence
 layed open and vulnerable*

*escaping moisture
 coagulates
 along the supple crest
 of her lips
 molding myself
 in her perfect contours
 from which
 these moments of life
 are captured*

Lament of the Physical Plane

we need bibles of clay.
 prayers
 we thrust our hands in
 to the wrist

withdrawing
 our faces drenched
 dripping thick in clean
 liquid spirit--

Nihilism is peace restrained
 in wires.

Amidst cheeks smooth
 of remote stardust
 (having only skimmed the film)
 we lie in assurance

that each
 is not the only
 ajoining
 this vast ocean~

I Don't Need You Any More

Gracious, me oh my!
 cackled Kenyella
 An evil smile crept across her
 big wrinkled round face
 "bring me more fish slave!"
 she yelled into the darkness
 She was used to getting her way
 Weighing over 850 pounds, a huge
 crane lowered her into a large
 black cauldron full of green jello
 and rainbow trout
 The trout were dying and she wanted
 more live ones
 A small imp appeared and replenished
 the vat with fresh live haddock
 Finally, she was lowered all of the way in
 There was a loud creak from the floor beneath
 The straps on her long bikini top nearly
 burst from the weight of her voluptuous bosom
 Six strong men then brought her lunch to her
 There muscles shook as they carried all of pork
 chops dipped in cream cheese... hundreds!
 The men collapsed right before the cauldron
 and perished instantly
 "You can never find good help anymore."
 said Kenyella as she began to feed
 Her long grey bangs were full of cream cheese now
 She didn't care, she loves herself to the point of
 nausea, or so it would seem
 Letting out a loud belch she paused and smiled
 Her jello covered wedding ring was the size of
 a grapefruit... her husband long gone now
 She pulled it from the muck and licked it clean
 "Men are such pigs!" she yelled aloud
 as she took one more bite from her pork chop
 "I don't need them anymore... anymore!"

Christopher M. Smith

Arts & Entertainment

The juke box

By Emerson and Jeffray.

Dogma:

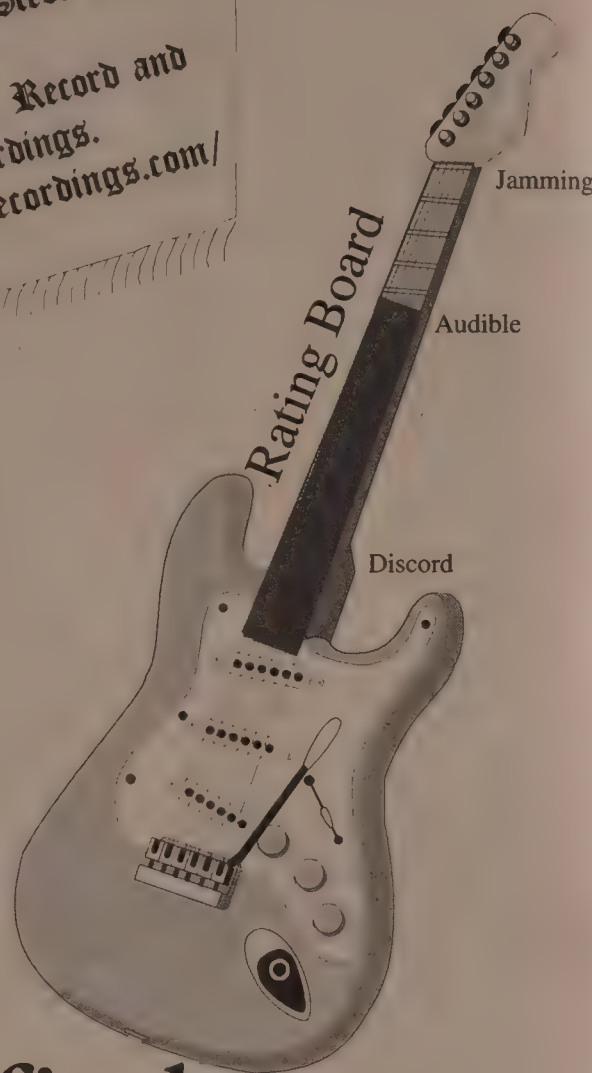
Nine Inch Nails and Danzig meet Tool.

If you can ignore the grotesque cover, Dogma's raw music is somewhat talented with very adrenalized guitar solos that will keep you pumped. And that's about the only positive thing we've managed to come up with in the past hour. In their biography, Dogma has stressed the fact that they try to keep "...honest, the image earthbound and the presentation intense, exciting and straight forward..."

They overdo it on the angry, pathetic words and lack some originality or as Dogma puts it "...My thoughts are recycled trash...". They've managed to blend the ideas of several big name bands without ever achieving any unique thoughts or sounds.

If you want to spend a night banging your head on the wall, don't do it without Dogma.

Produced by Steve Thompson
On Mercury Record and
King Recordings.
www.kingrecordings.com/dogma



Classifieds

Leold

(leold@javanet.com)

by Roger and Salem Salloom ©1996

I think it's important to
analyze your dreams.

I was dreaming of a
hammer hitting me over and over
again on the head. I would start to
feel better when it stopped.

Then I would turn my head
at just the correct angle so that
the hammer could continue to hit
me on the head.

Then I'd pull away... for a
few minutes, then I'd put my head
right into it again.

My ex-girlfriend's father
owned a hardware store. I think
there's a connection...

but...I don't know what it is.

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Dining Out the College Way With *Trish* and Roula



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This week on the discovery lunch channel, we travel to the far reaches of India. Once there, we'll explore the wonders of the unparalleled spicy cuisine of a place called House of India (439 Park Avenue for those of you who are interested in flying over). The choices of culinary delights are virtually unlimited but be aware that without a dictionary or translator, you are likely to be overwhelmed. Authentic Curries are prepared from "...ancient recipes with a subtle blend of over a dozen herbs and spices, gently cooked with patience and love..." and served with made to order "...special Indian breads pan baked and baked in Tandoori oven..." for an additional charge varying from \$1 to \$3.95.

The wonderful aroma draws you in for one of a kind experience.

Jet lagged, Roula and I requested an authentic Indian Pepsi and coffee, followed by an order of non-vegetarian Samosas (home-made turnovers stuffed with lightly tempered and seasoned fresh minced lamb), also available vegetarian style.

The Samosas were excellent. I really enjoyed them. They are fried so if you are watching the fat, lay off them.

This tasty Samosas was just the beginning of our exploration of this fascinating country. I ordered the chicken Saag, boneless chicken with spinach topped with ginger, and found myself in desperate need of water (approximately 10 gallons would have sufficed). Needless to say, I regretted show-

ing irritation towards the waiter's suffocating comportment. At any rate, the meal was delicious and the atmosphere original.

I had the Jalfrazie, for \$8.95. This is tender filets of chicken gently sautéed with onions, tomatoes, and bell peppers. I loved it and I would have finished my plate had I been very hungry. There was also mushrooms and broccoli in my dish and red hot pepper. But I was oblivious to the peppers until Trish tasted it and pointed it out. Apparently we have a different tolerance for spices. Trish regretted sending the waiter away when he asked if we needed a water refill before our meal. Learn from our mistake. When the waiter asks say yes to the refill.

This restaurant offers a variety chicken, lamb, fish, shrimp, kebabs, and vegetable plates. Among your choices are Lamb Bahar (lamb curry, delicately cooked in different vegetables, spices, and herbs), Machi Masala (fresh fish cooked in rich aromatic sauce), Shrimp Saag (delicately spiced shrimp with spinach), and Seekh Kebab (very lean minced lamb mixed with onions, herbs, and spices, baked on skewers in tandoori oven.) The meals are reasonably priced from \$7.95 to \$12.95. They also carry a variety of breads, rice, and salads.

Our total came to \$23.80. The most we have paid but we walked off with leftovers. All in all we enjoyed our experience.

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Don't Lose This Notebook

by Mike Coccozella
Sports Editor

If you are a baseball fan whose appetite for player statistics and information rivals Kevin Mitchell's appetite for donuts, you will want to pick up a copy of *The Scouting Notebook: 1997* (\$18.95) by STATS, Inc. This is without a doubt the best preseason baseball book money can buy. It presents even the most rabid fan with more than enough fodder for the excessively indulgent springtime imagination. The Scouting Notebook writing staff consists of both baseball beat reporters and STATS reporters who cover games on a regular basis. You will find scouting reports written by baseball experts like Peter Gammons of the Boston Globe and ESPN, Peter Pascarelli of Baseball Weekly and ESPN., and Rotisserie guru John Benson.

Notebook reporters offer in-depth scouting reports for every player who made an official appearance on the diamond the previous year. They use an encapsulating blend of knowledge and forthrightness in their analysis of the skills (or lack thereof) each player brings to the plate, mound, and into the field. Just take a gander at STATS Kevin Fullams especially candid assessment of

Philadelphia Phillies outfielder Gregg Jefferies: "Since the Phillies aren't planning to contend for at least several years, it's probably safe to say that the investment in Jefferies has been a mistake. Nevertheless, Jefferies should provide decent offensive numbers this season-but he probably won't do all that much to help the team win. In fact, his large salary has been considered a drain on the Philly's resources." This year's Notebook boasts a new feature, scouting reports on managers. Along with more statistical breakdowns than people who slept at the White House last year, the Manager's Page outlines a man's philosophies on offense, defense and pitching, and his tendencies (how often he platoons, whether he employs a quick hook.) The Scouting Notebook also offers two "prospect pages" per team. Here eight promising minor leaguers are chosen for inspection. The Notebook tries to include the top prospects, but they mainly try to focus on the eight most advanced minor leaguers.

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SPORTS

Sorry About That

by Michael Coccozella
Sports Editor

As the sports editor of this wonderful, terrific newspaper, I would like to apologize to all of our wonderful, terrific readers for the lack of school related sports stories this semester. You know, William Shakespeare once wrote that no man is an island. While technically this is true, Shakespeare never met Marlon Brando. My point is that we here at the Voice need more reporters!!! We have a big old ad on one of these pages advertising that urgent need. I have to admit that coming into this semester, I should have tackled my job as the newly ordained Sports Editor much more aggressively (read: I have suffered through extended periods of mind-boggling laziness), but from now on I vow to take life by the reins and do everything within my power to make this sports section the best damn sports-section that trees ever had to die for!!! I can't do it alone, though. I desperately need your help. Please come join us if you have any such inclination. Our big ol' ad has all the info you'll need to find us. Thanks, loyal readers! I hope to see you soon!



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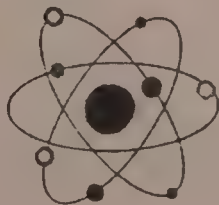
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Dear Prospective Member:

Liberia should have a special place in the conscience of the United States of America. Its impetus to become a nation came from the United States. For 149 years, it was a stalwart ally of the United States. Yet for the past years, as a civil war has taken almost 200,000 lives, displaced more than two-thirds of the population and destroyed its infrastructure, the United States has treated this great tragedy as a regional problem.

Liberia has a unique historical and cultural link to the United States. Settled by African Americans, many of them former slaves, in the early decades of the 19th century, Liberia became a republic in 1847. The United States influence on Liberia is reflected in the African nation's constitution, the star and stripes of its red, white and blue flag, the structure of its government, the names of its cities, its schools' curriculum, its official language and the remarkable degree of good will its citizens feel toward America. Through all the major conflicts of the 20th century, Liberians been among the most dependable allies of the United States. In both World Wars, Liberia declared war on the enemies of the United States and offered vital air bases, ports, and natural resources to support the United States military. During the Cold War, Liberia voted with the United States on every significant resolution at the United Nations. It hosted facilities for electronic monitoring and became the largest base for United States intelligence-gathering in Africa.

Yet when Liberia's security was most at risk because of civil conflict the United States government deferred to ECOWAS, an under-funded regional organization composed of some of the world's poorest nations. Half of the \$10 million earmarked by the United States to support a peacekeeping force had not been committed by April 1996. Meanwhile, the cost to the United States of responding to the humanitarian crisis since 1990 has been emergency relief assistance valued at over \$445 million, over \$66 million provided in the past year alone, more than eight times the amount committed to peacekeeping.

In the absence of a viable security plan, the torrent of refugees continues to undermine Liberia's relations with its immediate neighbors. Though the United States has implored those nations to admit Liberian refugees, its own record of Liberian admissions decries the long relationship with that nation.

The approach to achieving peace in Liberia has revolved around the ECOWAS process for six years. This process has, in turn, been dependent on a core group of ECOWAS nations with the will and very limited resources to engage in diplomacy or to commit forces for peacekeeping. Fourteen peace agreements have been largely brokered without the United States and other international parties, such as the United Nations or OAU, present with ECOWAS as working partners at the negotiating table. The result of this agreements and the resources, and leverage, necessary for successful implementation. This failure to produce a concerted approach to all aspects of the peace process, from mediation to negotiation and implementation, produced the tragic results that we have witnessed in Liberia.

On August 17 the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) concluded meetings that provide a new timetable for the peace process. Starting August 20, the warring factions are to observe a cease-fire, dismantle checkpoints and withdraw from zones of combat. The peacekeeping force, expanding from 8500 to 18000 troops, is to deploy throughout Liberia in November. Demobilization is to be completed by January 31. Elections are to be held on May 31 with a turnover to an elected government on June 15. The revised plan calls for sanctions against members of the warring factions that obstruct the peace process. Sanctions include restrictions on travel, freeze on economic activities, exclusion from electoral process, and war crime charges.

Now the United States has another opportunity to assert its international leadership at a critical juncture to ensure that the success of the new peace process. This leadership will not lead to an involvement of United States troops. It does mean that the United States must heighten its diplomatic efforts to help coordinate the process of peace and gather the funding that is necessary for effective peacekeeping and demobilization in Liberia.

The United States should take the necessary steps to ensure that its commitment of \$30 million to support the ECOMOG peacekeeping force is obligated before the end of the fiscal year 1996. While the United States pledge of \$30 million is a step in the right direction it will not alone enable a doubling of ECOMOG to the 18,000 troops necessary for deployment by November. It is vital that the United States provide additional funds to make up this shortfall or take the lead to obtain significant pledges from other donor countries.

A top priority of the United States should be the implementation of a serious program for demobilizing Liberia's combatants. Regrettably, no additional funding has been pledged by the United States to improve what was an inadequately funded and designed demobilization plan. In fact, some of the funds allocated in early 1996 for reintegration of Liberia's 60,000 combatants have been diverted elsewhere. The United States should take the lead in designing a comprehensive demobilization program. This program will not involve United States troops, but should include the resources for every stage of demobilization from encampment to training and counseling of combatants. A contribution of \$20 million (non-food related) from the United States will provide the resources necessary to initiate a wellconceived demobilization program and encourage future contributions from other international donors.

President Clinton and the United States Congress must make Liberia a priority on our foreign relations agenda in Africa. United State leadership is critical if the key elements are to be achieved on schedule under the new peace plan. This leadership will not lead to an involvement of United States troops. It does mean that the United States through its Special Envoy, must heighten its diplomatic efforts to coordinate the implementation of the peace process and gather the additional resources necessary for effective peacekeeping and demobilization.

The United States should strengthen the response of the international community to the needs of the peace process. The foundation for a new international approach to the peace process already exists with the International Contact Group for Liberia, the group of donor countries that have pledged support to the peace process. The concept behind the ICGL should be expanded to a tightly coordinated partnership that includes the United States, ECOWAS, and the United Nations. This high level of cooperation will ensure that scarce resources are effectively utilized.

The outbreak of fighting in Monrovia in April-May of 1996 was the latest in a series of clashes in Liberia's intractable war. During the past nearly seven years, the war has produced shocking humanitarian conditions for Liberian civilians. The most recent fighting exacerbated even further these conditions. Humanitarian assistance organizations have been unable to deliver food and other emergency services because of the fighting in Monrovia. Their resources looted by gangs of combatants and the safety of their relief workers threatened, these organizations closed or dramatically reduced their operations in Liberia.

As a result of the civil war in Liberia, an estimated 800,000 Liberians are internally displaced; another 800,000 are refugees in neighboring countries that are among the poorest in the world. Approximately 50 % of the population in Monrovia, upwards of 350,000 persons, were forced to flee their homes due to the April-May fighting and another 3,000 died. During June-July some 3,300 new cases of cholera were reported in Monrovia and a July survey found malnutrition rates for children in displaced shelters have increased up to 25%.

Now that the dust of the Civil War in Liberia is settling down, an era of a NEW LIBERIA is at hand. Whether anyone likes it or not, a leadership is bound to emerge, supposedly to shoulder the national responsibilities of politics and administration and to ensure the continued survival of the Liberian people and culture.

That such leadership will be genuine and committed is a matter that you as Liberians and friends of Liberia can decide, or at least influence. But choosing national leadership is a serious and difficult business. In Liberia, bombed-out homes and shops are painful reminders of what happens when leaders are chosen unwisely. We cannot allow this to happen again. This is why the Liberian Social Justice Foundation is campaigning for PEACE, SECURITY, SOCIAL, ECONOMIC, EDUCATIONAL AND POLITICAL JUSTICE IN LIBERIA.

The Liberian Social Justice Foundation has carefully examined the administrative and operational policies of both the past and present administration in Liberia, and in our candid opinion, much more needs to be done to help Liberia go in the direction she needs to go. We as Liberians must try to have a positive influence on the selection of the national programs and the corresponding leadership which will inevitably affect our lives and the lives of our people for many years to come.

My fellow Liberians and Friends of Liberia, the Liberian Social Justice Foundation has embarked on a mission to ensure that PEACE, UNITY, SECURITY, FREEDOM AND SOCIAL JUSTICE prevail in Liberia. This is an awesome responsibility that can only occur if we cooperate as a team. History will judge us not by what we say, but by what we do. With God and the determined mind, there is nothing we cannot achieve for our Liberian Society. It is in this light that I urge you to support and contribute to the Liberian Social Justice Foundation's programs.

Liberia, the African nation established in the 1800s by freed American slaves, has been torn by civil war since 1989. What does the Liberian Civil War mean to Americans in terms of health care, humanitarian relief, stability throughout Africa and the continuation of missionary work? If you share in the dream of peace in Liberia, a country founded upon American ideals, you are invited to become more informed by writing to the LIBERIAN SOCIAL JUSTICE FOUNDATION, POST OFFICE BOX 31438, CINCINNATI, OHIO 45231. (513) 931-1872.

I am writing to introduce you to the Liberian Social Justice Foundation, Inc., a broad-based social nonprofit organization. The mission of the LSJFI is two-fold: we are dedicated to restoring a just and stable society in Liberia, and to improving the quality of life for all Liberians, both at home and abroad.

On behalf of our members, I appeal to you for financial assistance in support of LSJFI activities. An application for membership is included which contains a breakdown of membership fees. Please know that any amount you can contribute will be helpful to us. Your support of the Foundation, and your awareness of its concerns is deeply appreciated. Should you have any questions or suggestions, please feel free to write us or call. Thank you for your time, your contribution, and your generosity. Checks and money orders should be made payable to the Liberian Social Justice Foundation, Inc.

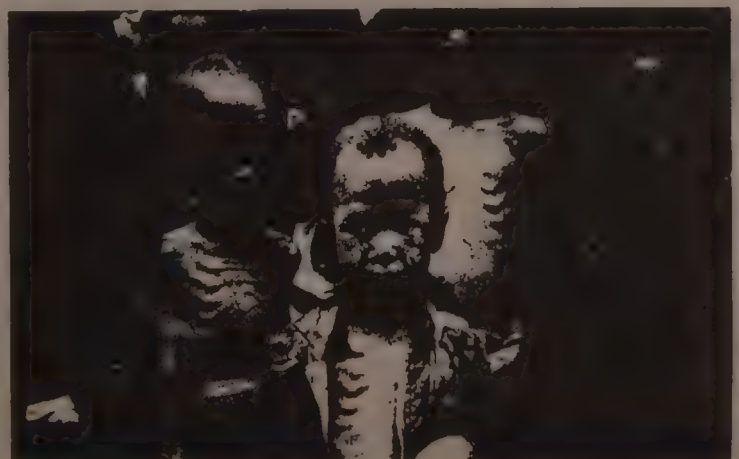
Best regards,

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Faces of hunger in Liberia

Liberian children await arrival of a food convoy in Tubmanburg, 50 miles north of Monrovia. The city was cut off for months by fighting. People surrounded the trucks Wednesday; when bags of wheat were opened, they grabbed handfuls and ate it uncooked. World/A8



Before You Go Overseas On Break, You Should Read Pg. 5!



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HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY



Calendar

Thursday, March 6

- Open Campus
- Campus Ambassadors Spaghetti Dinner at 5:30pm

Saturday, March 8

- Spring Break begins in earnest

Monday, March 17

- St. Patrick's Day

Wednesday, March 19

- TWA Day
- Campus Ministry Pasta Supper at 6pm
- St. Joseph's Day (Spain)

Thursday, March 20

- Campus Ambassadors Spaghetti Dinner at 5:30pm
- First Day of Spring
- Baseball vs. Endicott College at 4pm

Friday, March 21

- TWA Talent Show

Saturday, March 22

- Men's and Women's Track at WPI

Sunday, March 23

- Ski Club Trip to Wildcat
- Baseball vs. WPI at 1pm

Tuesday, March 25

- Academic Honors Convocation
- Battle of the Brains
- Baseball vs. Wentworth at 4pm

Wednesday, March 26

- Women's Asian Celebration in SC Auditorium at 10am
- Campus Ministry Pasta Supper at 6pm

Thursday, March 27

- Campus Ambassadors Spaghetti Dinner at 5:30pm
- Senior 50 Day Countdown Party at OLP
- Maundy Thursday (Spain)

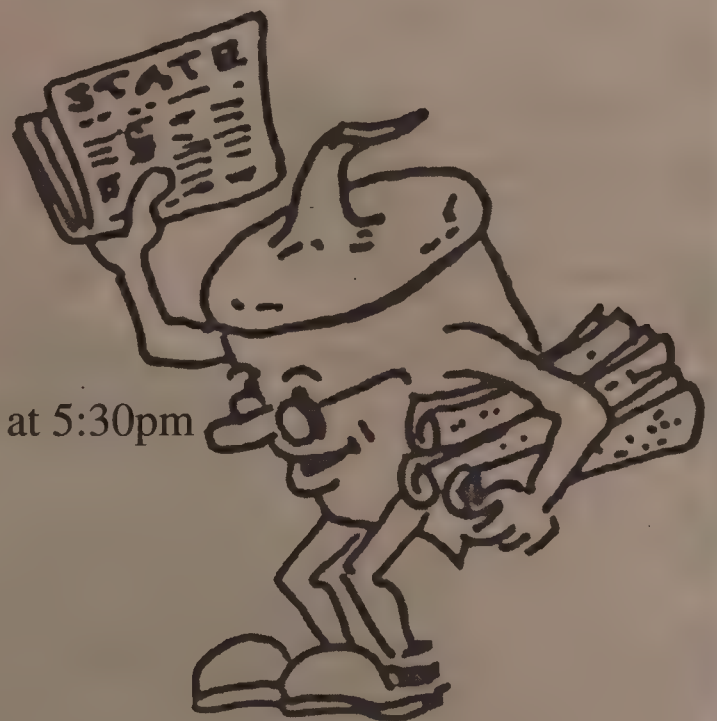


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EDITORIAL PAGE

The Soapbox

“‘The Meek Shall Inherit the Earth,’ But GOD Never Accounted For the Mighty...”

This week, on the Soapbox, I'm taking a closer look at meekness. Some people have an almost infuriating need to defer in any situation to someone else's judgement. We all do it sometimes, letting someone else become the leader in a given situation, but these people do it all of the time.

Of course, being the strong, leader-type does not come easily. Few people can

readily take charge in any situation. Lack of confidence in one's abilities can be almost debilitating.

The meek, or shy, or spineless people just haven't yet acquired the strength of personality to be able to take authority from someone that they look up to, or who is a superior position (real or imagined). For example, few (if any) Vice Presidents would

outwardly speak out against a policy set forth by the President.

We've identified the problem, but what can be done about it, you may ask. The solution is rather simple. All we must do is give them more responsibility within whatever social structure we are part of. For example, in a social situation, talk to them more, but require them to initiate more con-

versations. In the workplace, give them more and more responsibility, so that eventually they must take a stand and do something. Then, maybe, they shall be able to become stronger individuals.

David Spencer

Editor-in-Chief

Dave Spencer is meek, except for when he voices his opinion

Dime Store Wisdom: The Oracle Has Been Hawked For A Frisbee

By Christopher M. Smith
Voice Staff

Expression to me is of the utmost importance. I have come to realize that sometimes the things that I express, and the manner in which I express them, do not necessarily reflect how I genuinely feel about something or someone. "Getting it out" is healthy and I feel fortunate to have friends and family that I can do that with. Writing has always served as a viable and satisfying forum to be able to vent and voice wherever I am at that time. My feelings change, and as life goes on, I notice that the way I feel does as well.

I'm sure that everyone has their own ideas about what is "deep" and what is not. Sometimes things are better off left unsaid. However, it has been my experience that if I have strong feelings about something that it is in my best interest to just "spit it out"

and get it out on the table. I do this with varying levels of poise and grace depending on many things. A lot of people do not want to speak up about things and I am troubled by people that I encounter who I cannot communicate these things with. I do not let it discourage me. I am also not on any kind of crusade to get everyone together for a giant therapy session and group hug. People are going to do whatever they want. I am glad just to have people in my life who I can talk with about things. The novelty of conversing about "important things" gets very tiring after a while and I think just doing fun stuff together and enjoying each other's company can be better. I know that this editorial is kind of vague, but I feel that it is okay to just write about stuff without it having to be perfect. Having gone to college for all this time I have been trained (programmed) to "think" a lot.

I believe that people are basically good and emotional by nature despite all of the intellectual stuff that people put out (including moi, BIG TIME) on a daily basis. If you are feeling the need to "figure out" what I am talking about then you are not "getting it" because there is nothing to "get."

I find that my attitude has a big effect on everything that I feel, think and do. When I do not have a positive attitude it is easy for me to find fault with myself and everyone and everything around me. That is never much fun, but it is impossible to maintain that kind of attitude 100% of the time. It is not realistic to expect to be happy all of the time, but during the times that I am not, I need to be nicer to myself and not get on other people's cases. Being a Sociology major has in many ways just made me more anal and negative than I was before I came here. I think that we should wear black

hoods and hold classes in the morgue. It is very depressing and I have no idea how I am going to make that work for me in a job. Perhaps I could get a job in a funeral home. Let us go over the slow decay of society one more time! Whatever? A little Prozac wouldn't hurt that scene...ya know what I mean? So, I have to take responsibility for the choices that I've made and try and see it in a more positive light. Showing up and regrouping are a big part of life it seems. I see a lot of people looking for answers outside of themselves and I wonder if they have found them yet? I'm no authority on anything, but I do know that I am personally a little tired of spending so much time feeding dimes into the automated oracle up on top of the mountain like a spiritual parking meter. Anyway, be well, be happy and be yourself! I'm still working on it.

MASSPIRG Speaks Out...

By Meg Carey
Masspirg

Recently a petition was signed by over 120 Worcester State students in favor of Food Services switching from styrofoam to porcelain dinnerware. Using styrofoam daily, for every meal, fills our landfills, pol-

lutes our community, and all in all is highly anti-environmental.

Styrofoam is costly to Worcester State, as dinnerware must be purchased often and hauled off campus; not to mention how unsightly it is to eat off of.

An environmentally friendly option to styrofoam is porcelain, as it is not thrown away after each use. Porcelain is a cost efficient solution to the styrofoam problem as it only needs to be purchased once and does not have to be hauled off campus to our lo-

cal landfills.

Students at WPI, Clark University and Framingham State College (to name a few) have porcelain dinnerware, why shouldn't Worcester State students be allowed the same privilege?

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Campus News

Spotlight On...Jamie McDermott

By Kristy Servant
Student Activities Intern

Spring Break Is Upon Us! For some, that means vacation, for others, that means work. The goal for most people is relaxation; a positive recharging for the second half of the Spring semester. One group on campus which addresses positive thinking and actions throughout the school year is B.A.C.C.H.U.S. (Boosting Alcohol Consciousness Concerning the Health of University Students). Besides being the name of the Greek god of wine, BACCHUS stands for many important things.

Jamie McDermott is the current President of this peer education group. Mr. McDermott describes BACCHUS as "providing students with programs and events that are both informative and entertaining. We address issues that affect students on campus currently. We try to show students that many dangerous situations can be avoided if students are informed in the first place." While, at this time, BACCHUS is a special interest group as opposed to a major organization, the group is very active on the college campus. "We've done programs and events that have dealt with rape, alcohol abuse, eating disorders, Aids, stress reduction, safer sex, and other issues. Every year we co-sponsor events and programs with L'BIGA during AIDS Awareness Week in December. We also sponsor Safe Spring Break Week each Spring. I get so impressed with how much our group accomplishes each year. This year we have had a great blend of peer educator veterans, as well as innovative Freshman I'm very pleased with the drive this year's group has in sponsoring more programs and workshops. If you guys are reading this: Job well done!" Jamie's pride in this group is evident in the way he is willing to devote such a large part of his time in educating others on what the group is all about.

This semester, BACCHUS has already had two educational and informative programs. They put on a stress reduction program and brought in a Harvard University group to put on a rape presentation. Their current endeavor is a silent campaign for

Safe Spring Break Week. You have probably noticed banners and flyers with information on how to have a safer Spring Break. Their involvement in the betterment of the student body is impressive, and any student is encouraged to join them in their efforts.

Mr. McDermott had a large part in developing the BACCHUS organization on this campus. "I was part of a BACCHUS group at another college before I came to Worcester State. Once I came to Worcester State, I was told that Laurie Brunelle was a counselor here, as well as the advisor of a student group of peer educators. When I went to Laurie in the Fall of 1995 to tell her about my interest in starting a BACCHUS group on campus, she had told me that she had been interested in getting a group started also, but could never find enough student interest. She asked her peer educator group, (known as Student Outreach Service), if they would be interested in becoming a BACCHUS group and they agreed. The rest is history."

Mr. McDermott feels strongly that students should become involved in student activities. "Get involved. Get very involved. The more you get involved with student activities, the more students and faculty you will meet. It also makes you feel like part of the school when you get involved. It's amazing to think of what can be done at this school if students put their minds to it and don't give up. Just be careful not to get involved with more than you can handle. Don't be afraid to join groups on campus. They have a great deal to offer and they are not life-long commitments. You don't have to stay with them if they don't work for you. Don't let your school career go by without taking the opportunity to get involved and changing things on campus that no one else has done before."



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Before You Go Away On Break, You Should Know...

By David E. Spencer and the U.S. Dept. of State, Bureau of Consular Affairs

Each year more than 2,000 American citizens are arrested abroad. Over 1,000 of those arrested were held on charges of using or possessing drugs.

We know that many college students plan to travel abroad during their spring and summer breaks. Maybe you have been planning your trip all year. Perhaps you have begun buying and packing necessary items like a toothbrush, sunscreen, and sunglasses. We hope you will think twice before packing something that will not only destroy your trip, but could easily ruin your life. You should be aware that there are increased efforts by many countries to stop the flow of illegal narcotics. If you think there is no real danger in buying or carrying just a "small" amount of drugs on your overseas trip, you might be in for a pleasant surprise. Americans have been arrested for possessing as little as a third of an ounce of marijuana.

You might assume that, as an American citizen, you are immune from prosecution under foreign laws and that the U.S. Constitution follows you wherever you go. Unlike the United States, few countries believe "you are innocent until proven guilty." The truth is that Americans suspected of drug violations can face severe penalties,

even the death penalty, in some foreign countries. Many foreign countries are just looking for an excuse to jail an American. It is not uncommon to spend months or even years in **pretrial detention**, only to be sentenced to a lengthy prison stay without parole in a foreign jail. Conditions in foreign jails and prisons are frequently substandard.

Once you leave U.S. soil, U.S. laws and constitutional rights no longer apply. U.S. consular officers can visit jailed Americans to see that they are being fairly and humanely treated, but **cannot** get them out of jail or intervene in a foreign country's legal system on their behalf.

You should be particularly wary of persons who ask you to carry a package or drive a car across a border. Once that package or anything in the car is in your possession, you become responsible for it. You will be blamed for it, no matter who has put it there. You might unknowingly become a drug trafficker. To local authorities, ignorance is not an excuse. You will have to pay the fine and may even spend time in jail for a crime that you did not know you committed.

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Campus News

Warning

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tions in original and labeled containers.

Before you leave on your trip, you should take the time to find out the laws in your foreign country as they will pertain to you. Many countries have adopted more forceful drug laws. These include such popular vacation spots as Mexico, the Bahamas, and Jamaica. These include mandatory jail time for even small amounts of drugs. Also many countries will not allow bail when there are drugs involved. When you leave the U.S., you leave behind **all** of your civil rights granted under the U.S. Constitution. The burden of proof may be given to you to prove your innocence, or illegally obtained evidence may be allowed in the trial.

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trial, or pay fees or fines for you (even as a loan).

If the above article has startled or scared you, good. If you are thinking about doing the stupid thing and carrying drugs in a foreign land remember the following five rules.

1. If someone offers you a free trip and some quick and easy money just for bringing back a suitcase....Say **NO!**
2. **Don't** carry a package for anyone, no matter how small it might seem.
3. The police **will** be waiting for you at the airport.
4. If it's in your suitcase, you **will** be caught.
5. You **will** go to jail for years and years and may even lose your family.

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3. The title page should follow with the title of the story and the student's Social Security number **ONLY**.
4. Every page should contain the social Security Number and page number.
5. Copies of the short story should be left with Carolyn Dumais in S 213 by April 8, 1997.
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Although, we found the theme a bit repetitive, the lyrics were original and the thoughts, profound. If you plan on spending a night making love, don't do it with out Grey Eye Glances and a condom.

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The juke box

By Eric Person

Voice Staff

Redd Kross Show World:

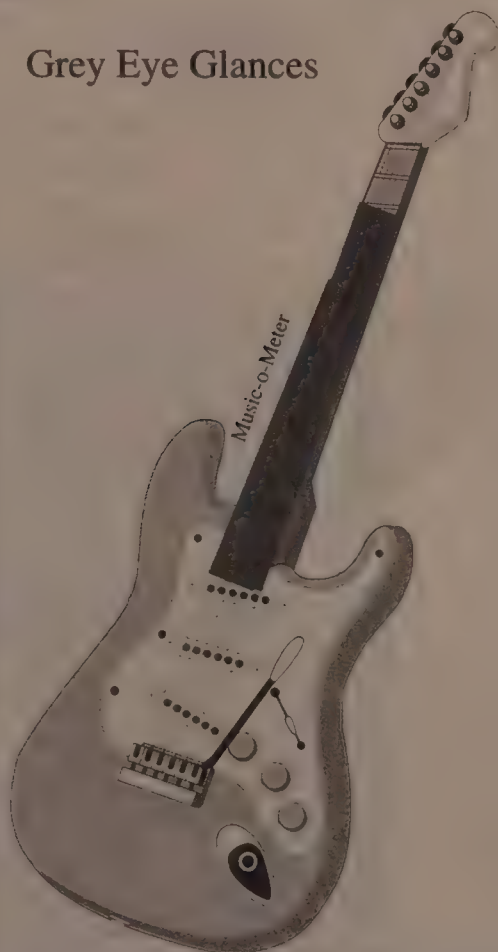
OK, so you've never heard of Redd Kross much less that this is their seventh album. Well, You can rest easy because you're not alone. The release of *Show World* comes on the heels of their moderately successful 1993 release *Phaseshifter*. Perhaps you remember it vaguely, or the one somewhat successful song "Lady in the Front Row".

On to the album now. The CD has that classic British pop sound with simple distorted guitar chords, and funky keyboards. I listened to the whole 13 song album, and then realized that I couldn't recall one single song. They all blend together so well, and sound so similar that it seems like one big song. I found that I didn't like *Show World* as much as *Phaseshifter*, but who am I to say. However if you are a fan of this style (Beatles, Oasis) of music, this CD is for you.

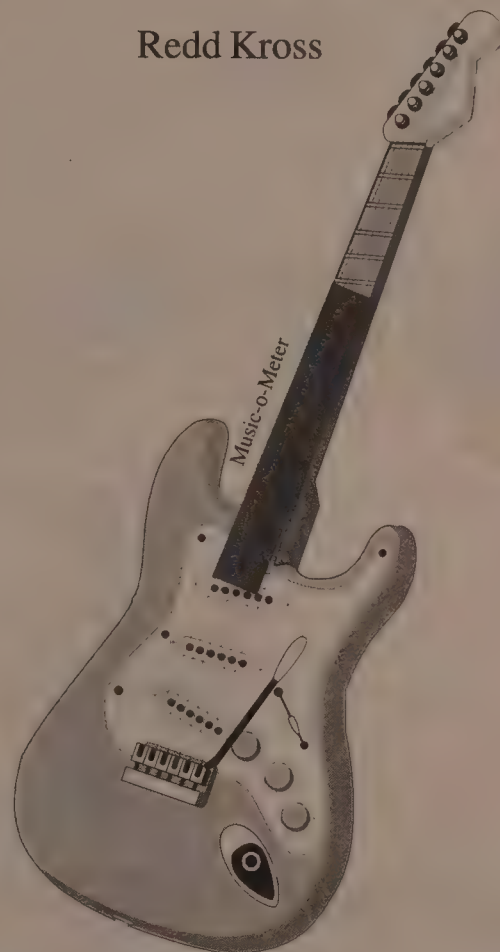
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Leold

(leold@javanet.com)

by Roger and Salem Salloom ©1996

Usually after my friend Norm leaves my house, I find little notes....

"I was here, Norm."

or

"Norm was here."

....or things. He usually leaves his famous red hat.

If he stays at my house a long time, I find lots of junk.

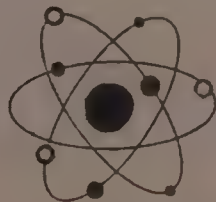
Beeber does it, too... like earrings or gloves.

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Arts & Entertainment

Dining Out The College Way With Trish, Roula and Eric.

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For the first time, we weren't seated promptly. It took the hostess a few minutes to realize..."Hey dude, I'm supposed to be seating people right now...Woah!!! Like sorry!!!. Lunch for four?". Roula answered, "No, it'll just be the three of us, thanx...???".. We sat at a small wooden table in the corner of a fairly large ranch style dining area. The waitress brought over three forks, some of the biggest knives I've ever seen and took our drink orders. Roula and I had our usual (coke and coffee) and Eric, our guest, settled for root beer.

I remembered from Western films that you always want to know what you are up against so I took the corner chair and enjoyed the view of the dining area and the exits.

It took us a while to decide what we wanted to eat because we had to argue about the actual differences between the Good, the

middle is well, they arrived at the table well done. Yet, the bun was nice and soft which made up for the meat being somewhat dry.



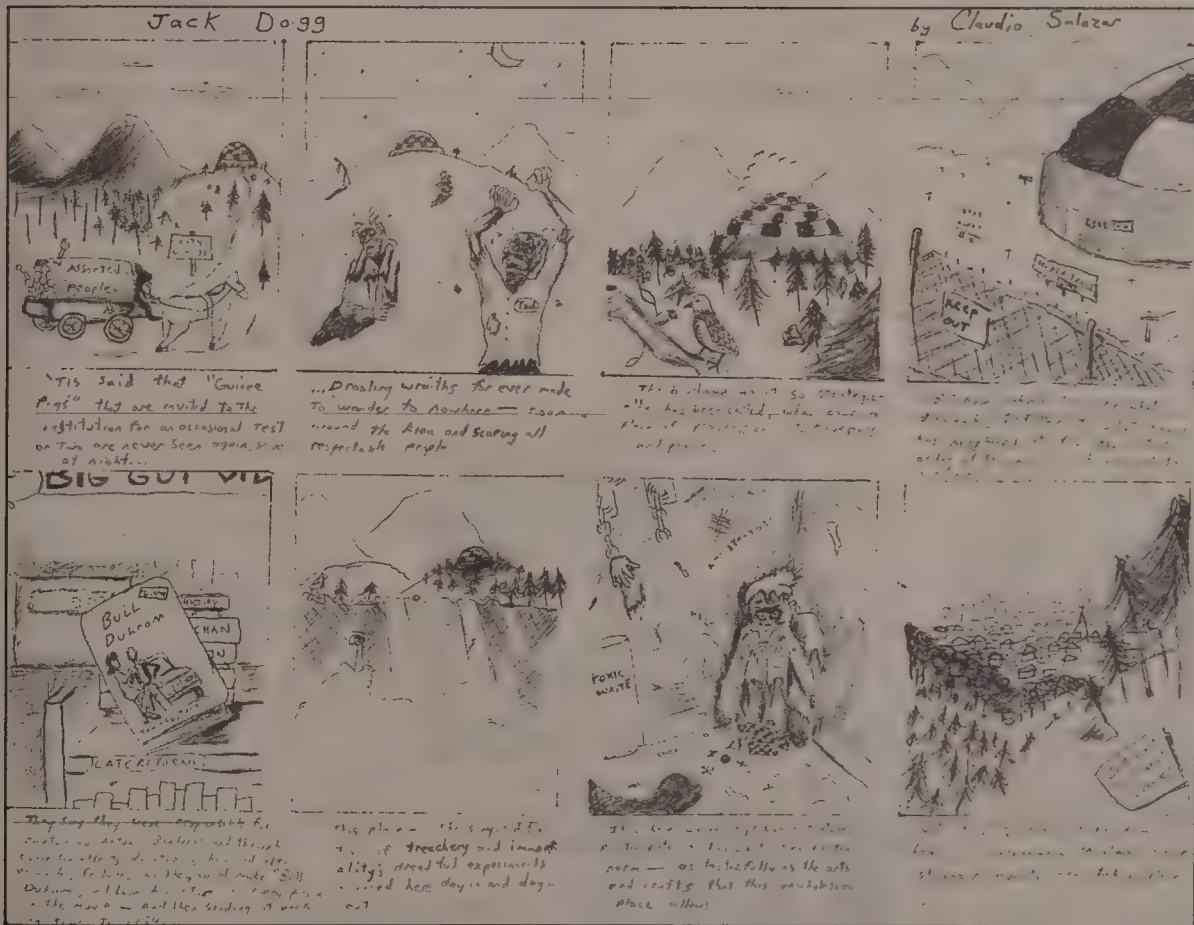
Bad and the Ugly. Finally, I played it safe and opted for the Bacon cheeseburger (Swiss) medium served with French fries, a supple pickle, tomatoes and onions for \$5.95. We theorized that our burgers (Eric's as well as mine) had left the kitchen medium but due to global warming, rather than the cook's inability to decipher between red in the middle is medium and No red in the

I ordered the Ugly for lunch. This is two boneless chicken breasts delicately grilled and served on a bed of fettucine and topped with mushrooms sautéed with garlic in a creamy alfredo, marinara, or garlic sauce. I had no choice it was the creamy alfredo even though had I realized it I would have ordered the marinara. I did however have a

choice of a Caesar or tossed salad. I went for the Caesar. The meal should have included rolls and butter but I figured since it was lunch time these items were only available for dinner. The total for my plate was \$12.95. Since everyone usually orders burgers at Pete's, I figured I would have some pasta. My meal was quite enjoyable. Next time your there forget the burgers and go for the carbohydrates.

The meal was enjoyable eventhough at one point, the conversation died as we watched Eric's unsuccessful attempt to prevent the jus from dripping out of the Frontier Burger. The waitress came to the rescue and found him some napkins. I think she was still laughing long after we had left the restaurant.

We all agreed that overall the food was not bad but I wouldn't want to go there on a date, it's a still a great environment for drinking. Our total came to \$30.30. Ding Ding Ding!!!!



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SPORTS

Lancers vs. Falcons

by Michael Cocozzella
Sports Editor

The Fitchburg State College Falcons and Worcester State College Lancers faced off at 7:30 in the Wallace Civic Center last night in the first round of the ECAC North/Central/South/Hockey Tournament. (As of this paper's press time the game had not yet been played. Check out the results in the Telegram or just ask around school!)

The two teams are familiar foes in the regular season, but not the post season. Fitchburg State has made the playoffs 13 years in a row, while Worcester State is making its first ECAC appearance since the 1976-77 season.

The 16-8-1 Falcons are seeded second in the tournament and have the nation's highest scoring offense in Division 3, averaging 6.68 goals per game. Meanwhile, the 13-10-1 seventh-seeded Lancers are a defensive minded club. They are led by goalie

Jayson Maynard (3.55 goals against average). The two clubs split their regular season matchups against each other. The Lancers out-skated Fitchburg 5-1 in November, and the Falcons exacted revenge early last month, outscoring WSC 8-4.

The Fitchburg State Falcons have five players who have scored more than 50 points, including senior Dan Genatossio, who leads the team with 30 goals and 35 assists. Genatossio is the second leading goal scorer in school history with 104. Other vital cogs in this high octane scoring machine are senior Joe Centrella, with 17 goals and 46 assists, freshman Jeff DuRoss (27-30) and juniors Rob Lavery (31-21) and Damon Moore (10-41).

Leading the Worcester State scoring attack are junior Kayne Bosma, who has 17 goals and 23 assists, Matt Donovan, he of 20 goals and 19 assists, Tom Mazza, 17 and 19, and Paul Connor 14 and 19.

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SPORTS

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WORCESTER- Junior guard John Bowler of Arlington has reached the 1,000 point scoring club. He now has 1,063 career points and has become Worcester State College's 15th all time leading scorer.

Bowler set a new single season record hitting 73 three-pointers this season this season, including 7 in the MASCAC Championship game against Salem State in last Saturday's 84-77 loss to Salem.

Bowler also set a new assist record with 164 on the season and is now the College's all time assist leader with 302 in his career. He also tied the single game assist record this season when he had 12 assists against St. Joseph's of Maine. Worcester State finished it's season with a 13-14 record.

Mr. Holland's Opus

by Michael Cocozzella
Sports Editor

This week the prestigious American Quarterly Football Magazine ornamented Worcester State College linebacker Scott Holland of Webster with First Team All-American honors. Holland was the only player in all of New England this year to be chosen for 1st Team honors.

Holland, a senior, was a key player in the Worcester State Lancer's rout of all opposition last fall. The Lancers took no prisoners en route to a 10-0 regular season record and won their second straight New England Football Conference Championship. Congratulations, Scott Holland!!!

Speak Softly and Carry A Big Stick

by Michael Cocozzella
Sports Editor

Friends, Romans, Defensemen, lend me your ears... If you are having a birthday soon, here's something that will put the "icing" on your cake... INTRAMURAL FLOOR HOCKEY!!! (without the ice, of course) If you are interested in playing and have lots of insurance for your precious teeth, read on for all the nitty-gritty details of this annual orgy of stick-wielding amusement!! (I don't know about you, but if a bunch of guys wearing masks and carrying sticks are coming after me, I run.)

Separate leagues for men and women will begin play Thursday, March 20. The team rosters are due tomorrow, March 7th, at 2 pm. You must turn your roster into Bruce Baker, the Intramural Director. You can find him in the IM office located in the Gym.

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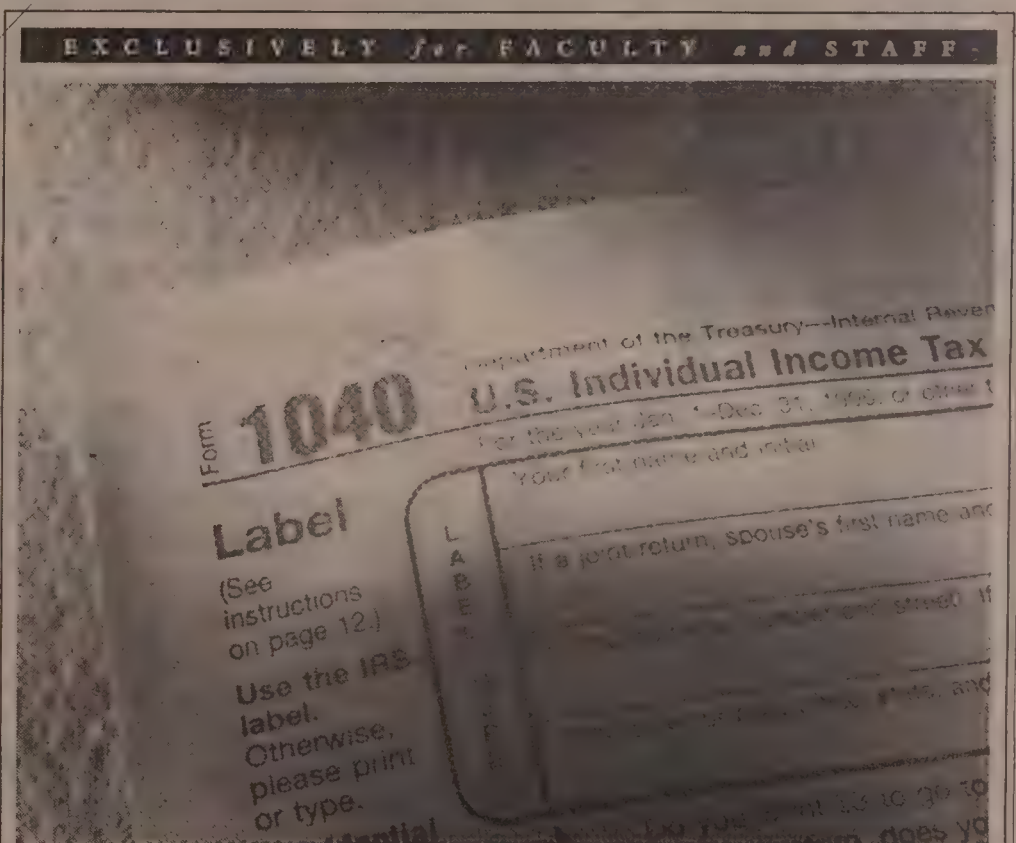
Eight players are allowed per team, and each team must choose a representative amongst its ranks. Each team's roster sheet must include the names of these eight players, the name of the team, the name of the team representative, and that representative's phone number. That's it. It's all pretty simple. Just go out and have fun!

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Calendar

Thursday, March 20

- Campus Ambassadors Spaghetti Dinner at 5:30pm
- First Day of Spring
- Baseball vs. Endicott College at 4pm

Friday, March 21

- TWA Talent Show

Saturday, March 22

- Men's and Women's Track at WPI

Sunday, March 23

- Ski Club Trip to Wildcat
- Baseball vs. WPI at 1pm

Tuesday, March 25

- Academic Honors Convocation at 3pm
- Battle of the Brains
- Baseball vs. Wentworth at 4pm

Wednesday, March 26

- Women's Asian Celebration in SC Auditorium at 10am
- Campus Ministry Pasta Supper at 6pm

Thursday, March 27

- Campus Ambassadors Spaghetti Dinner at 5:30pm
- Senior 50 Day Countdown Party at OLP
- Softball at Anna Maria at 3pm
- Baseball at Anna Maria at 4pm
- Maundy Thursday (Spain)

Friday, March 28

- Last day to withdraw from classes
- Children's Day at 11:30 in Exhibit Area
- Good Friday

Saturday, March 29

- Men's and women's track at WPI

Sunday, March 30

- Easter

Monday, March 31

- Easter Monday

Tuesday, April 1

- April Fool's Day

Wednesday, April 2

- Campus Ministry Pasta Supper at 6pm

Thursday, April 3

- Campus Ambassadors Spaghetti Dinner at 5:30pm

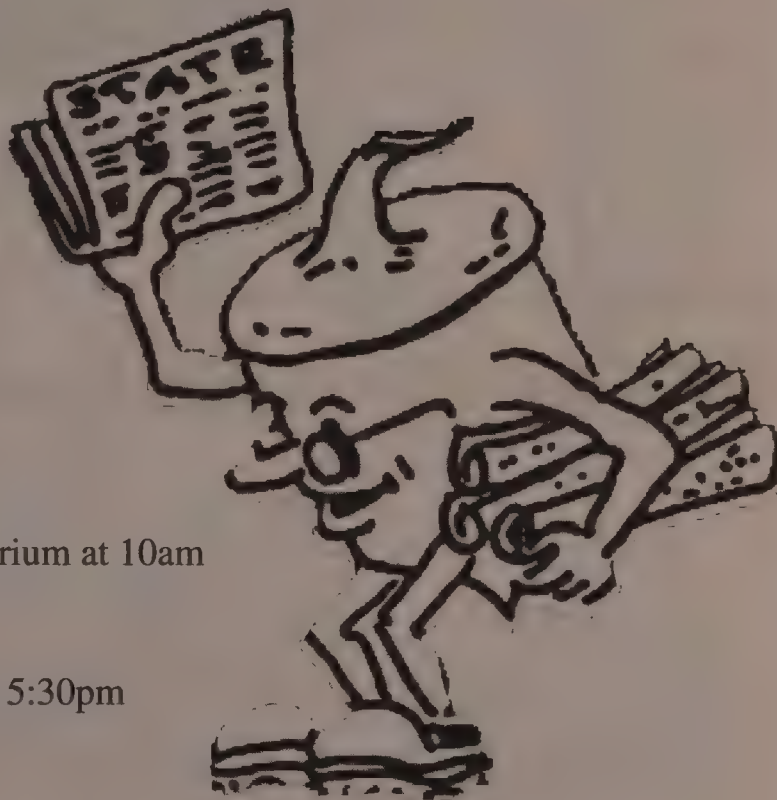


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EDITORIAL PAGE

The Soapbox

"Hey, Beavis, this sucks...heh heh heh heh heh..."

It seems to me that we all know chronic complainers. These are the people who never seem to have a good word to say about anyone or anything.

Hell, we all probably get that way from time to time. But this week I'm talking about the people who always will complain, in a most negative light, about whatever is the current topic of discussion. Whether the subject be politics, the latest issue of the Student Voice, or Mother Teresa, they will find a way to grumble or make a downright disparaging comment.

Often we'll find ourselves saying, either in our heads or occasionally directly to the face of the defender, "What is your problem," or some such question. The truth is

that they often believe that they have none.

We assume that anyone who has a bad attitude has some reason for acting that way. Some reasons may be recent deaths, or trouble in school, etc. But when the attitude doesn't go away, one must ask themselves the question, "Is there an underlying problem, or is this person just a big old jerk?"

There may, in fact, be a problem that is festering just below the surface, waiting for the slightest chance to emerge. Of course, there may be nothing there but a cold, unfeeling heart, waiting for any way to express itself.

There are some who will continually make the attempt to connect with these

people. For their efforts they are rewarded with nothing save a knife in the back, or some other equally undeserved treatment.

Truthfully, some people can only feel better by making others feel miserable, or putting others down. To these sad souls, I can offer no words of advice save these: If you continue down along this path, you will find your companions depart you one by one. Eventually you will realize that you are all alone, on a dark path with no one to help guide you or even offer a helping hand.

David Spencer
Editor-in-Chief



FAFSA Express

Current and prospective college students have enough to worry about-applying for federal student aid should be as easy as possible. That's why the U.S. Department of Education introduced FAFSA Express, the Department's electronic financial aid application. Anyone with access to a computer with Windows 3.1 or higher and a modem can use FAFSA Express to apply for federal student aid.

FAFSA Express can be downloaded free of charge in just minutes from the World Wide Web at www.ed.gov/offices/OPE/express.html. Also, many computer labs, libraries, post-secondary schools, job development centers, and high schools have FAFSA Express on their own computers for public use.

On a computer screen, FAFSA Express looks similar to the paper Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Introductory screens describe the application process and list what is needed to complete the application.

Then, easy-to-answer questions guide the user through the various sections of the application, collecting all the information needed to determine a student's eligibility for federal student aid. If the student wishes to stop before the entire application is completed, he or she can save it to disk at any

time and return to it later.

FAFSA Express also double-checks the user's application to be sure the information is accurate. Fewer than 1% of all FAFSA Express applications are rejected. FAFSA Express automatically checks the data entered and flags possible mistakes. These edits ensure that the most accurate data is given the first time the application is submitted, cutting down on corrections and shortening the time between applying for aid and actually receiving it.

FAFSA Express guards against processing errors too, because the data is input directly by the applicant, not by a processing contractor key-en-

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CAMPUS NEWS

Student Member Needed For Massachusetts State Board of Higher Education

Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 15A, Section 4, established the position of student member of the Board of Higher Education. The only distinction between the student and other members of the Board of Higher Education is the abbreviated term of office. In all other respects, the Student Member is a full and equal member of the Board of Higher Education.

The Governor chooses the Student Member from a list of no more than three names of undergraduate students submitted to him by the Student Advisory Committee. This group is an Advisory Committee to the Board of Higher Education and is composed of the community college, state college and university student trustees. It is the respon-

sibility of this committee to determine the method by which the student member of the Board of Higher Education is nominated.

The Student Member's term of office runs from May 1 to April 30. For the period May 1 to April 30, the Student Member will be appointed from the University. At this time, we are pleased to invite applications for the board.

Individual applications for the position should be submitted directly to the Student Advisory Nominating Committee at the Board of Higher Education. In addition, each eligible Student Government Association may submit the name of an individual to be considered for the position. All appli-

cations must be postmarked by March 28, 1997.

The Nominating Committee may then choose four (4) names to be submitted to the full Student Advisory Committee. The final list will be voted on by the Student Advisory Committee. The Student Advisory Committee shall submit **no more than three names** to the Governor. The Governor will then select the Student Member of the Board of Higher Education.

If you wish to apply for this position, you will need to send: certification that you are a full time student, your expected graduation date, and in good academic standing from the Registrar; a resume including your school's name, course of study, ID number,

past and present club memberships, employment, and honors; three (3) personal references including one from a fellow student and one from a school administrator, or faculty member; and answers to the following questions:

1. What is your understanding of the purpose of having a student member of the Board of Higher Education?

2. Why do you want to be that person?

You can send your information to Dr. Clantha Carrigan McCurdy, Director, Office of Student Financial Assistance, board of Higher Education, 330 Stuart Street, Suite 304-3rd flr., Boston, MA 02108-1696.

RADical Mondays

by Officer Reynaldo Rodriguez
Campus Police

Rape Aggression Defense Systems is the Radical way of changing self-defense for women. Eight years ago in Virginia this concept was born. A combination of avoidance lectures and martial art techniques that work. Today, there are over 1,100 instructors in the U.S. and Canada teaching this self-defense program. The course is taught on many college campuses.

Malcolm X once said, "It is criminal to teach a man not to defend himself when he

is the constant victim of brutal attacks." Women have been the constant target for rape for centuries and rarely trained to defend themselves. Through RAD women are empowered and educated in the concept of self-preservation. Our society doesn't really prepare women to be aggressive or assertive, or they're viewed as over-masculine. According to Susan B. Anthony, "Women must not depend on the protection of man, but must be taught to defend herself."

1 out of 3 women can expect to be sexu-

ally assaulted in their lifetime. There are about 90,000 forcible rapes that are reported each year to the police. It is estimated that almost 90% of all rapes go unreported. Yet some women believe that "it won't happen to me." Through RAD, the student will be taught basic crime prevention. She will be taught avoidance and awareness techniques. If these techniques are used effectively there will be no need for the other half of the class. That half deals with learning actual hands-on self defense. Use of her personal weapons on her attacker's vulnerable points. The combination of using your brain to prevent an attack and using your personal weapons will help in reducing the chance of one becoming a victim.

One who looks and acts less like a potential victim, won't be one. There are no guarantees in life. To better your chances, a plan of action is needed. There are a lot of victims out there, don't become one of them. Sign up for RAD and learn how not to be a victim.

The course will be offered Mondays starting March 24, 1997 at 6:30pm. These class sessions are three hours long 6:30-9:30pm. All classes are held in the Dowden Hall Lounge. A total of 12 hours for the course. For best results, you need to come to all four sessions. Don't cheat yourself, treat yourself. RAD Systems is the way to radically change defense for women.

British Studies at Oxford

For the 26th consecutive year, Oakland University in conjunction with the University of Detroit Mercy is offering British Studies at Oxford. The setting for this idyllic, credit-bearing program is Corpus Christi College, Oxford.

The program offers tuition, private room, full board during the week, excursions to London, Stratford-upon-Avon, Bath, Coventry, and other sites, theatre tickets, and visits to world famous museums. The three-week session offers three or four credits for \$2900.00, including tuition, but excluding airfare. The five-week session offers six or eight credits for \$4750.00, including tuition. Most courses offered by Oxford tutors include Art History, Architecture, Business Management, Communications, Education, History, three literature classes—Chaucer, Drama: Plays in Performance, and British detective Fiction, —and British Politics. Courses may be taken for undergraduate or graduate credit or may be audited. Universities and colleges accept these credits as applicable toward degrees.

Begun in 1517, Corpus Christi College today is, like the city that surrounds it, a gracious mixture of the new and the traditional. Overlooking Christ Church Meadow and steps from High Street where Laura Ashley, Liberty's, Marks and Spencer, Debenhams, and even McDonald's crowd in among many shops and restaurants, the College is centrally located and comfortably appointed. All rooms, some even with private baths, are tidied daily by the College staff who also serve three bountiful and tasty meals a day in the stately 16th century Great Hall, as well as morning coffee and afternoon tea in the Common Room, a comfortable lounge reserved for student use. Stu-

dents attend classes four days a week and travel one day together and one or two afternoons with their respective classes. Class sessions are normally two hours each, allowing ample time for reading and research at the Bodleian Library, the Oxford City Library, and the College Library, open 24 hours a day for their convenience. On travel days, students leave College either after breakfast or lunch and return in the evening, enjoying dinners usually at country inns.

Even with all the activity, there is still time during the week to do other things—browsing in bookstores like Blackwell's; shopping at Oxford's unique Covered Market and other quality shops, where even at today's pound-dollar exchange, bargains abound; enjoy excellent drama, both college and professional, new and classic movies, discos, cabarets, and scores of pubs, most of them picturesque and steeped in lore. There's swimming, tennis, squash, golf, rugby, cricket, jogging, bicycling, punting, and much more—all ways of absorbing a thousand years of Oxford history and legend.

All in all, Corpus Christi College and Oxford provide a fine academic, cultural, and social atmosphere and a most convenient "home base" from which to see storied England.

For further information write or call **Dr. Margaret B. Pigott**, 322 Wilson Hall, Oakland University, Rochester, Michigan 48309-4401. Telephone: (810) 652-3405 (810) 370-4131 or; Fax: (810) 650-9107; E-mail: pigott@oakland.edu, www.oakland.edu/oxford or **Dr. Edward J. Wolff**, Department of English, the University of Detroit Mercy, Detroit, Michigan 48219-0900. Telephone (313) 993-1082 or (810) 652-3405; Fax (810) 650-9107.

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Poetry Page

Melancholy

Looking in the mirror
for the things that cannot be seen
wondering about the things
I have no control over
joy travels alone
sorrows in packs
often more numerous than the tears
that they bring
days bring variations
of things that stay the same
left behind
with no one left to blame
eyes turned to grey,
heavy heart
weighing down my dreams
time passes too slow
for moments I want to get over with
quickly
bad news is told in pairs
puddles form at my feet
my sobs echo
reminding me of how alone I am
how alone I feel
I look back towards the mirror
no one looks back at me

Justine Giardiello

Early Retirement

Communion
Of two insignificant cells
Time flows wistfully away
Burning, churning, up and out
Merging of two souls
Within one shell
Proves toxic
By dawn's early light
Time grudgingly lurches forward
"It was an accident!
I didn't mean to become..."
Wasted, Withered
Bundle of ruined flesh
Thoughtlessly extracted
Haphazardly disposed
Early retirement
Of an innocent foe

Benny McElroy
March 6, 1997

Now That We Are Never Together

Lying in the bed towards the window.
Covers pulled high, curtains slightly drawn
open. A ladybug making its way up the cold
glass slowly. I remember
they're supposed to mean luck, but figure
mine could only be bad. I pull the blankets
down knowing I'll turn to find your space on the bed
empty, the blankets unruffled without your
tossing. You used to pull them all to your side.
Now I have the extra warmth to wrap myself in,
Instead of waking with your arms around me.

I remember the comfort-knowing I could reach
out and you'd be beside me.
Now this unsureness, too much space that
I no longer need to share.

Justine Giardiello

The Everlasting Gobstopper

She was a beautiful creature
with hair of red
Her blender was an "osterizer"
and in it she made frozen drinks
I loved her on sandy beaches
and under the kitchen sink

There was no want
no longing unfulfilled

until that cold day
the osterizer broke

Tom LaMotte

What Are The Odds?

Okay, here I was...
This ungrouped dude
crusin' down the median strip
I was in the mode for love
I explored the range on my radio dial
and I found a great amount of variance
among the bands
A gorgeous woman was hitch hiking
It is a deviation for me to pick up
hitch hickers, but I thought I would
break from the standard a little in this
case and let the variables fall where they may
I pulled over hoping for the raw score
Her long legs had quite a desirable level
of measurement and she was squared in all
the right places
Her normal curves made me want to group
She got in and there was a short interval
I was discrete and we had continuous
conversation
I thought things were going nominal
Then she told me that she wanted a percentage
if I wanted to graph anything beyond this point
Then she got mean and took out a big knife
from her bag
Then she told me she was going to truncate
my distribution if I didn't get out of the car
She was left skewed and had a bad central tendency
I had obviously reached a lower limit and I pulled
the car over
"This is my formula for success" she said
I hopped out of the car because my interpretation
of the situation was proportionate
She got in the driver's seat, blew me a kiss
and then she drove away
I just tally it up to fate
She had a crude mode, but she won't get too far
By my estimation the car was almost out of gas
It was a rental any way. What a low-grade interaction!

Christopher M. Smith

CAMPUS NEWS

Spotlight On: Jamie McDermott

Kristen Servant
Student Activities Intern

(Due to technical problems, part of this article was missing last week. It will now be reprinted in its entirety)

Spring Break Is Upon Us! For some, that means vacation, for others, that means work. The goal for most people is relaxation; a positive recharging for the second half of the Spring semester. One group on campus which addresses positive thinking and actions throughout the school year is B.A.C.C.H.U.S. (Boosting Alcohol Consciousness Concerning the Health of University Students). Besides being the name of the Greek god of wine, BACCHUS stands for many important things.

Jamie McDermott is the current President of this peer education group. Mr. McDermott describes BACCHUS as "providing students with programs and events that are both informative and entertaining. We address issues that affect students on campus currently. We try to show students that many dangerous situations can be avoided if students are informed in the first place." While, at this time, BACCHUS is a special interest group as opposed to a major organization, the group is very active on the college campus. "We've done programs and events that have dealt with rape, alcohol abuse, eating disorders, Aids, stress reduction, safer sex, and other issues. Every year we co-sponsor events and programs with L'BIGA during AIDS Awareness Week in December. We also sponsor Safe Spring Break Week each Spring. I get so impressed with how much our group accomplishes each year. This year we have had a great blend of peer educator veterans, as well as innovative Freshman I'm very pleased with the drive this year's group has in sponsoring more programs and workshops. If you guys are reading this: Job well done!" Jamie's pride in this group is evident in the way he is willing to devote such a large part of his time in educating others on what the group is all about.

This semester, BACCHUS has already had two educational and informative programs. They put on a stress reduction program and brought in a Harvard University group to put on a rape presentation. Their current endeavor is a silent campaign for

Safe Spring Break Week. You have probably noticed banners and flyers with information on how to have a safer Spring Break. Their involvement in the betterment of the student body is impressive, and any student is encouraged to join them in their efforts.

Mr. McDermott had a large part in developing the BACCHUS organization on this campus. "I was part of a BACCHUS group at another college before I came to Worcester State. Once I came to Worcester State, I was told that Laurie Brunelle was a counselor here, as well as the advisor of a student group of peer educators. When I went to Laurie in the Fall of 1995 to tell her about my interest in starting a BACCHUS group on campus, she had told me that she had been interested in getting a group started also, but could never find enough student interest. She asked her peer educator group, (known as Student Outreach Service), if they would be interested in becoming a BACCHUS group and they agreed. The rest is history."

Mr. McDermott feels strongly that students should become involved in student activities. "Get involved. Get very involved. The more you get involved with student activities, the more students and faculty you will meet. It also makes you feel like part of the school when you get involved. It's amazing to think of what can be done at this school if students put their minds to it and don't give up. Just be careful not to get involved with more than you can handle. Don't be afraid to join groups on campus. They have a great deal to offer and they are not life-long commitments. You don't have to stay with them if they don't work for you. Don't let your school career go by without taking the opportunity to get involved and changing things on campus that no one else has done before."

BACCHUS meets every Wednesday at 4pm in M110 of the Student Center and new members are always welcome! Contact Laurie Brunelle at 793-8072 for more information.

Want to become involved in one of the many student organizations? Call the Student Activities Office at 793-8073, or contact the specific organization through their extension in the Student Handbook.

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Arts & Entertainment

Dining Out the College Way

With *Trish*, Roula and Friends.



The Russian Kitchen is where we ended up this week. This is a tiny family run restaurant in the middle of Tatnuck Square. Don't let the nondescript kitchenette decor fool you, the food is excellent. Ask Professor Delaney, who was there, enjoying his lunch hour. Roula and I, accompanied by four of our friends, rearranged the three available tables to provide space for all of us to sit.

Well there were more than three tables but as Trish mentioned we did do a little rearranging. After being seated we took our time looking over the menu which was foreign to us since we were not familiar with Russian food. Tanya had the Borsch which is beet soup made Russian style for \$2.99. She really enjoyed the soup. Eric

had the Blintsy with meat for \$4.99. T.J. had the beef stroganoff for \$6.99. I ordered the home-made cutlet for \$5.29. This is flavored meat nuggets. We all were impressed with our meals. My plate had a side of salad with a helping of potatoes. The potatoes were better than home-made. I wish more restaurants made them this way. They are lightly flavored and baked with a little oil. I had also ordered the garden salad for \$3.49 but I would not have ordered it had I known that my plate had a side of salad. Nonetheless the salad was superb.

I ordered my usual coffee and the Chockhockbilly (\$5.99), which is roasted chicken with special spices served with homestyle potatoes. Fadi who also had the

Chockhockbilly thought it was good. This time I opted for a Sprite to wash down my meal.

The Russian Kitchen has a lunch buffet and they also provide take-out. We

recommend this restaurant for an adventuresome meal with friends. But if you are looking to impressing your date make sure you are familiar with Russian food.

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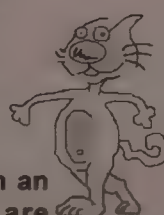
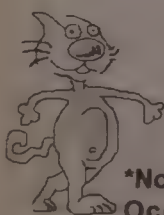
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Arts & Entertainment

Return of The Jedi, A Hit

by Michael Cocozzella
Sports Editor

William Shakespeare could have been writing about *Return of The Jedi Special Edition* when he penned this line in Hamlet-

"A hit, a very palpable hit!"

Return Of The Jedi's bottom line is fun. It is an engaging movie that never gets complacent. It boasts the best special effects of all three Star Wars movies, a moving

soundtrack, a gaggle of cool spaceships, tons of hideous, disgusting creatures, a raging space battle, a raging ground battle, and of course old favorites Chewie, Han, C-3PO, R2-D2, etc. The only problem is those darn Ewoks. These furry little guys are about as endearing as a paper cut. It's too bad that for this special edition George Lucas didn't digitally erase them and replace them with a legion of computer generated Rambos. That would have been fun to watch.

Ewoks notwithstanding, *Return Of The*

Jedi has always served as luscious eye candy, and truth be told, the Special Edition is even more palatable thanks to many of it's toothsome augmentations, including beautiful, gleaming cityscapes, each from a different rebel planet, with people dancing in the streets in celebration of the death of the Empire. These cityscapes are testament to the visual miracles George Lucas and his Industrial Light and Magic staffers create, and probably afford us the first glimpses of scenery we are likely to see in the new prequels. The new prequels...SIGH... if there was only a way to speed up time....

The Sarlacc, the smelly, loathsome, sand-pit dwelling creature that Jabba the Hutt decides would enjoy Han, Luke, and Chewie as a nice mid-morning snack, is no longer passively menacing: It sports a fearsome new beak shaped like a giant pistachio, and a few extra tentacles for good measure. As always, the Sarlacc siezes and devours anybody unfortunate enough to cross its path the way a couch eats car keys and

loose change.

The film's most notable redo is a sprightly, completely brand new musical number performed in Jabba's palace. This sequence is much better than the tired, rather bored one it replaces. Sy Snootles, the animatronic puppet lead singer in the original sequence, is reborn in the Special Edition as a computer generated singing and dancing whirlwind who steals the show with her whoops and gyrations. Sy is part of an ensemble that includes four other singers and dancers, three live and one digital, who merely take up space. George Lucas would have been much better off with Gonzo's dancing chickens.

The overall characterization in this film lags behind that of the *Empire Strikes Back* and *A New Hope*, but the ingenious characters of Jabba the Hutt and the Emperor, plus the spectacular special effects and creatures, make up for it. *Return Of The Jedi* is a worthy successor to the legacy left by the first two films of the *Star Wars* trilogy.

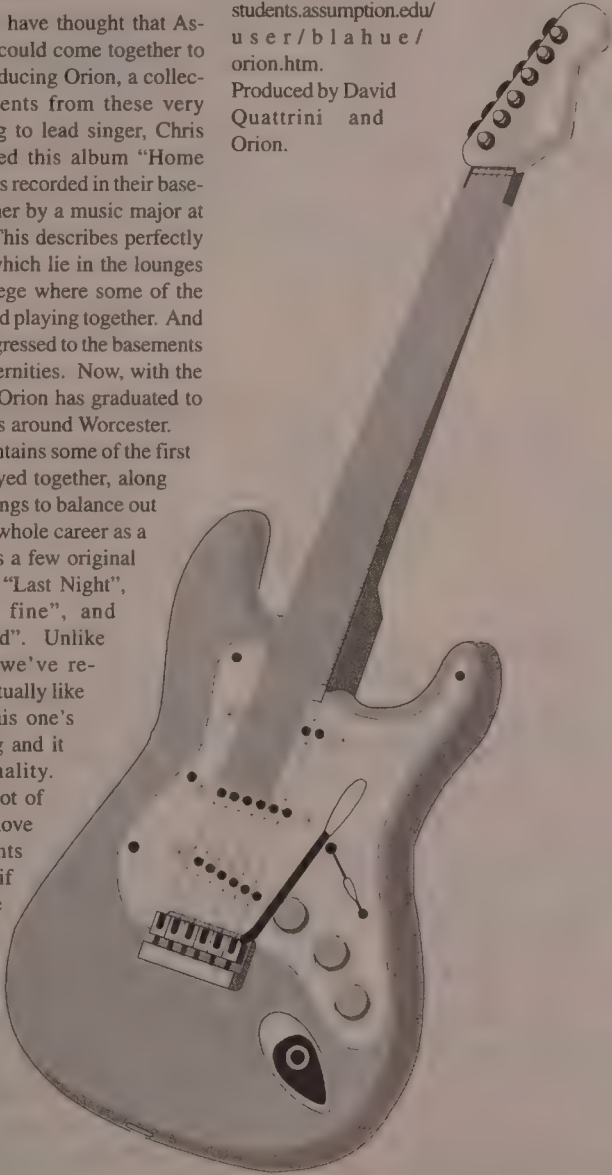
The Juke Box

By Jeffray and Alf
Voice Staff

Well, who would have thought that Assumption and WPI could come together to form a band? Introducing Orion, a collective effort of students from these very schools. According to lead singer, Chris Babin, Orion named this album "Home Brew" because it was recorded in their basement and put together by a music major at U. Mass. Lowell. This describes perfectly the group's roots, which lie in the lounges of Assumption college where some of the musicians first started playing together. And from there, they progressed to the basements of various WPI fraternities. Now, with the release of this CD, Orion has graduated to the many local clubs around Worcester.

"Home Brew" contains some of the first songs they ever played together, along with many newer songs to balance out and showcase their whole career as a band. This includes a few original love songs such as "Last Night", "Everything was fine", and "Words Left Unsaid". Unlike most of the CDs we've reviewed so far, we actually like "Home Brew". This one's really easy listening and it doesn't lack originality. Orion may have a lot of good advice for you love sick college students out there, so even if you don't like the music, listen to the words. If you dig Gin Blossoms, you'll dig Orion. Wscw will be playing some of their songs all week long so listen for them. If you want to con-

tact Orion on the internet, the address is: [Http://students.assumption.edu/user/blahue/orion.htm](http://students.assumption.edu/user/blahue/orion.htm). Produced by David Quattrini and Orion.



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Sun. March 23	WPI	1 pm
Tues. March 25	Wentworth Institute	4 pm
Thurs. March 27	at Anna Maria	3 pm
Sat. March 29	at Fitchburg State (2)	12pm
Tues. April 1	Rhode Island College	3 pm
Sat. April 5	at Framingham State (2)	12 pm
Tues. April 8	at Emerson College	4 pm
Thurs. April 10	Clark	4 pm
Sat. April 12	Salem State (2)	12 pm
Thurs. April 17	U/Mass Boston	3:30pm
Sat. April 19	Westfield State (2)	12 pm
Mon. April 21	Bridgewater State (2)	12 pm
Wed. April 23	at Curry	4 pm
Sat. April 26	at Mass Maritime (2)	12 pm
Sun. April 27	Nichols College (2)	12 pm
Tues. April 29	Mass College of Pharmacy	4 pm
Thurs. May 1	Western New England	3:30 pm
Sat. May 3	at North Adams State (2)	12pm
Mon. May5	Roger Williams	4 pm

Women's Softball

Mon. March 24	at Wheaton	3 pm
Wed. March 26	WPI	4 pm
Thurs. March 27	at Anna Maria	4 pm
Sat. March 29	at Fitchburg State (2)	12 pm
Tues. April 1	at Elms College	4 pm
Thurs. April 3	at Western New England	4 pm
Sat. April 5	at Framingham State (2)	12 pm
Tues. April 8	at U/Mass Boston	3:30 pm
Thurs. April 10	Clark	4 pm
Sat. April 12	Salem State (2)	12 pm
Mon. April 14	Smith (2)	5 pm
Tues. April 15	CITY TOURNAMENT AT WSC	
	Anna Maria vs. Clark	3 pm
	WPI vs. WSC	5 pm
	Championship Game	7 pm
Wed. April 16	Rain Date City Tournament	
Sat. April 19	Westfield State (2)	12 pm
Mon. April 21	Bridgewater State (2)	12 pm
Tues. April 22	Rhode Island College (2)	5 pm
Thurs. April 24	at Brandeis	3:30 pm
Sat. April 26	at Mass Maritime (2)	12 pm
Sun. April 27	at Nichols College (2)	12 pm
Tues. April 29	U/Mass Dartmouth	4 pm
Sat. May 3	at North Adams State (2)	12 pm

Some like it Putt

Princeton, NJ- The University of Arizona maintained it's No. 1 spot on the women's side, but the Oklahoma State University men jumped past UNLV in the latest edition of the Rolex Collegiate Rankings, released March 12, 1997 by the College Golf Foundation. The Wildcat women have been the top-ranked women's team in all six editions of the Rolex Rankings while Oklahoma State is the newest No. 1 in the men's rankings since UNLV moved past Florida in September.

In the women's individual rankings, Arizona sophomore Marisa Baena (Pereira, Colombia/Liced-Frances de Pereria) remained the No.1 ranked women's player in the country with 368,500 points. She opened the month of March with a win at the San Jose Sate University Spartan Invitational, carding a one-under par 221. It was her third Rolex Collegiate Tour title of the season and fifth in the last two seasons.

Duke sophomore Jenny Chuasiriporn (

Timonium, Md./ Notre Dame Prep), who finished as the runner up at the SJSU Spartan, moved up three spots to No. 2 with 240,250 points. San Jose State Senior Janice Moodie (Glasgow, Scotland) is ranked third, Stanford senior Andrea Baxter (Eagle, Idaho/Centennial) is ranked fourth and UCLA freshman Sophie Sandolo (Nice, France/American International School) jumped up to No.5 after top-five finishes in all three of the Bruins' tournaments this spring.

In the men's individual rankings, San Jose State senior Arron Oberholser (San Mateo, Calif.) maintained his No. 1 ranking with 150,000 points. Oberholser, who struggled during most of the fall season, was helped into his current No. 1 ranking with a win at the Golf World/ Palmetto dunes Collegiate. TCU sophomore Alberto Ochoa (Edinburg, Texas/ Edinburg) stayed in the No. 2 position while Oklahoma State senior Bo Van Pelt (Richmond, Ind./Richmond) moved up

to No. 3, with 135,580 points after tying for seventh place at the Bridges All-American. Wake Forest junior Ray Floyd, Jr. (Miami, Fla./ Miami County Day) moved from No. 8 to No. 4 with an average of 133,875 points and Ohio State senior Chris Wollman (Parma, Ohio) is ranked fifth with 133,380 points.


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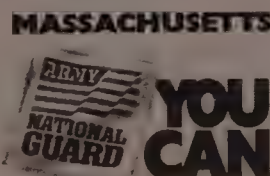
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Sat. March 29at City Championships at WPI
Sat. April 5at Rhode Island Invitational
Sat. April 12	.....at Williams Relays
Sun. April 20	.....at Trinity Invitational
Sat. April 26	.....at MASCAC at Fitchburg State
Sat. May 3	.....at New England Division III
	Women at Tufts
	Men at Williams
Sat. May 10	.....at ECAC at Williams-Women
	at NEIAAA at TBA-Men
Thurs. May 15	.....at NEWTFA at TBA-Women
Fri. May 16	.....at NEWTFA at TBA-Women
Wed.-Sat. May 21-24	NCAA Division III Championships
	at Wisconsin Lacrosse

Coccozzella Speaks Out

by Mike Coccozzella
Sports Editor

I have about two minutes to write this, so I'll be very quick. I, Mike Coccozzella, as the lone staff member of The Voice's Sports Section, could use some help in gathering and disseminating sports information. Any carbon-based member of the Worcester State College Community who would like to write sports for our Student Voice is highly encouraged to do so! Our office is C-317 in the Student Center. Don't knock, just barge right in! We'll be happy to have you!!!



Men's Tennis

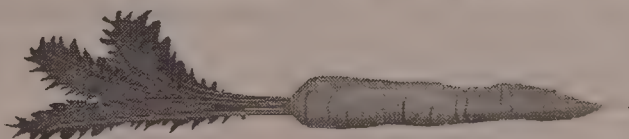
Tues. April 1	.....Bridgewater State	3:30 pm
Thurs. April 3	.....at Wentworth	3 pm
Mon. April 7	.....at WPI	3:30pm
Fri. April 11	.....at Salem State	3:30 pm
Sat. April 12	.....at U/Mass Dartmouth	1 pm
Mon. April 14	.....at Curry	3:30 pm
Thurs. April 17	.....at Franklin Pierce	3:30 pm
Sat. April 19	.....at Nichols	1 pm
Tues. April 22	.....Assumption	3:30 pm
Thurs. April 24	.....Roger Williams	4 pm
Sat. April 26	.....at Suffolk	12 pm
Tues. April 29	.....Western New England	3:30 pm

Men's Golf

Fri. April 4	.....at Nichols	1 pm
Thurs. April 10	.....at WPI	1 pm
Tues. April 15	MIT	1 pm
Thurs. April 17	.....at Mass Invitational	9 am
Tues. April 22	.....at Skidmore Invitational	9 am
Thurs. April 24Worcester State Invitational	1 pm
Thurs. May 1at Franklin Pierce	12 pm
Tues. May 6Nichols	1 pm



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Thursday, April 3, 7:00 p.m., North/South Auditorium, Student Center

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Richard Klein, artist and Assistant Director of the Aldrich Museum of Ridgefield, Connecticut, presents a lecture and engages in a dialogue with Howard Johnson. Mr. Klein addresses the visionary nature of "outsider" art, its defining characteristics and its present status in being aggressively embraced by the art world.

PAUL LAFFOLEY: SOMAKATOLIGON (DEGREES OF EMBODIMENT): ART AND MINDPHYSICS

Thursday, April 17, 7:00 p.m., North/South Auditorium, Student Center

Boston-based artist and founder of Boston Vision Cell, Inc., Paul Laffoley, engages the audience in a slide discussion of his work and ideas. Intense, autodidactic, and intellectual, Mr. Laffoley lays out his multi-faceted vision in complex diagrammatic painting, drawing, and architectural fantasy. High-flying imagination and dead earnestness in service of a utopian mission.

TOP ROCK CREW: OUTSIDE TOGETHER

Thursday, April 24, 10:30-1:30 p.m., First Floor Exhibit Area, Student Center

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1997 Academic Honors Convocation - A Success!

By Christopher M. Smith
Voice Staff

The wonderful tradition of recognizing the scholastic achievements of students at Worcester State College was renewed once again. On Tuesday, March 25, 1997 from 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM several honored representatives of the WSC community gathered in the Sullivan Academic Center Auditorium. The stage was host to numerous students who passed from side to side while receiving their awards. Various faculty and staff were more than eager to present these shining stars of WSC with their awards. The elated recipients of their much earned awards had a skip in their step and a smile on their face. It was a proud event that celebrated the endeavors, not only in academics, but in service to each other as a group. The solidarity that these individuals contributed to here at WSC was recognized for what it was. That is the compassion for others, the personal satisfaction of accomplishment and the pursuit of knowledge to better the quality of life for themselves and for everyone. A large part of the importance of this ritual is to provide a milestone for these students to relish upon and also for aspiring students to look to for inspiration. These students were presented with a standard when they came to WSC and they found it within themselves to be more than that. They embraced their education and set even higher standards for themselves in hopes that their efforts will contribute to the cultivation of their lives. To be acknowledged is something that everyone looks for both in personal, academic and professional life. The students who worked so hard for months on end and wouldn't settle for second base took a couple of hours to smell the

roses that they deserve so much. Excellence was demonstrated and all of the students accepted their awards with dignity, grace and poise. This was a glorious distinction of outstanding work and the kind of thing that one would hope to experience at college. These awards reflect the character of who they were designed for. The humility and perseverance that this group has brought to WSC honors all of us as well. The road to the future is always uncertain, but these individuals are taking responsibility for their lives today the best that they can, and this will certainly help them in days to come.

The mechanics of the convocation began with the Processional. This included Student Marshals: Ms. Ginger Sullivan, President SGA, Mr. Kenneth Bouchard, Chair, Student Senate and Faculty Marshal: Dr. Melvin Merkin, Professor, Chemistry Department. Dr. Bonnie M. Kind, Vice President, Academic Affairs provided the Welcome and remained as a grounding element throughout the ceremony. Reverend Timothy Brewer, WSC Campus Ministry did the Invocation and the Benediction. Greetings began with Mr. Marc E. Goldberg, Chair, WSC Board of Trustees. He was followed by Ms. Ginger Sullivan and then by Ms. Lisa A. Rudin, President, WSC Alumni Association. The Greetings were rounded out by Professor David J. Twiss, President, Faculty Association (MSCA/MTA/NEA). The Introduction of the Honored Speaker was done by Dr. Kalyan K. Ghosh, President. The Convocation Speaker was Dr. Craig C. Malbon, Vice Dean, University Medical Center, SUNY/Stony Brook, Class of 1972. He gave a very inspiring speech that included the responsibilities of what he considered to be the "academic elite," pass-



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ing the baton in education and what honor means to him. He has grown tremendously from his experience he as a student of WSC and he returned to share some of that experience with the students. He is a fine example of a product of an institution of higher education and he has prospered. He brought many positive insights to the ceremony.

The Worcester State College Choir sang a few enchanting songs including the WSC ALMA MATER. They were led by Professor Christie B. Nigro, Director. They sounded like angels. What a wonderful performance!

The Achievement Awards. 1996-1997 were then distributed. The recipients were

as follows:

President's Achievement Award - Erin R. Cataldo

Faculty Achievement Award - Monica S. Eynatian

Irving Agard Memorial Award - Robert L. Balogh

Alumni Achievement Award - Kinga M. Slowinska

Freshman Achievement Award in honor of Dr. Craig C. Malbon - Abigail S. Pedican

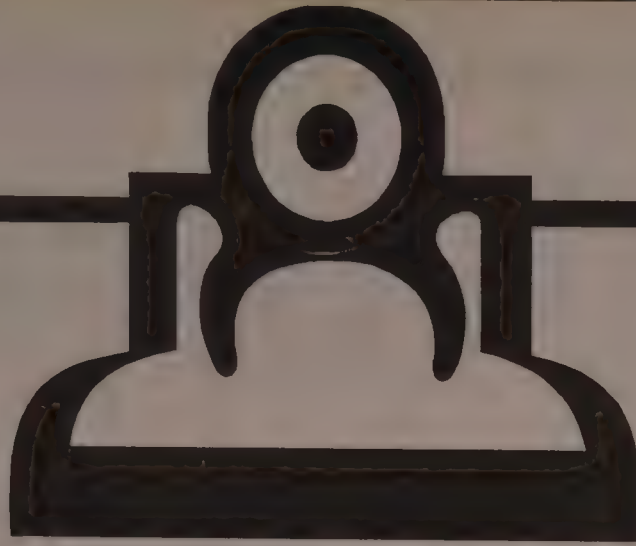
The Academic Major Awards recipients were as follows:

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Calendar

Thursday, March 27

- Campus Ambassadors Spaghetti Dinner at 5:30pm
- Senior 50 Day Countdown Party at OLP
- Softball at Anna Maria at 3pm
- Baseball at Anna Maria at 4pm
- Maundy Thursday (Spain)

Friday, March 28

- Last day to withdraw from classes and/or school**
- Children's Day at 11:30 in Exhibit Area
- Good Friday

Saturday, March 29

- Men's and women's track at WPI

Sunday, March 30

- Easter

Monday, March 31

- Easter Monday
- Men's and Women's Crew vs. WPI, Assumption, Clark

Tuesday, April 1

- April Fool's Day
- SEC Movie at 3 and 7pm
- Men's Tennis vs. Bridgewater State at 3:30pm
- Baseball vs. Rhode Island College at 3pm

Wednesday, April 2

- Campus Ministry Pasta Supper at 6pm
- Senior Photos

Thursday, April 3

- Campus Ambassadors Spaghetti Dinner at 5:30pm
- WSCW Concert

Saturday, April 5

- SEC New York Trip

Monday, April 7

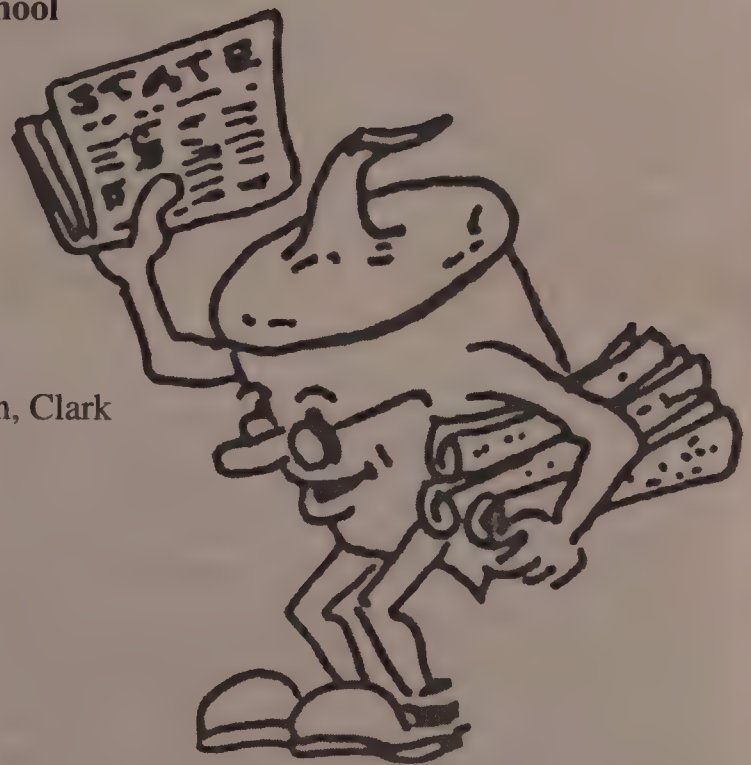
- WSC Chorale Auction begins, today through Friday
- Men's Tennis at WPI at 3:30pm

Wednesday, April 9

- Campus Ministry Pasta Supper at 6pm
- Last Day to use the Pass/Fail option**

Thursday, April 10

- Campus Ambassadors Spaghetti Dinner at 5:30pm
- WSC V&PA Theater production
- Women's Softball vs. Clark at 4pm
- Men's Baseball vs. Clark 4pm
- Golf at WPI at 1pm



Commentary

The Soapbox

Why Do People Bitch Constantly About DAKA?

That about says it all, I think about the topic of this week's Soapbox is just that: "why do people (students, staff, and faculty alike) complain about the food at DAKA?" Most of the graduating Senior class, as well as staf and faculty, should remember that DAKA used to be alot worse than it is now.

DAKA, I think, has been made into a handy scapegoat by much of the college community. To be quite honest, while their fare is not the best I've had, they have improved in the time since I've been here.

When I first came to good old WSC, DAKA did not serve the fast food that is now available at the Burger King/Pizza Hut locale in the Student Center's snack bar area. Quite the opposite, the snack bar was basically a carbon copy of the upstairs cafeteria, and served the same food as the upstairs, except for the actual "meals" (not burgers) available upstairs.

There was absolutely **NO** vegetarian anything available before two years ago. Only the salad bar upstairs had anything that remotely resembled vegetable matter. Now, even the snack bar has salads available for purchase.

Everyone seems to content to complain about this "situation," but no one seems to say anything to DAKA themselves on this point. Do we, the students, have any real right to complain about food service? The answer is, of course, "yes." It is almost a silly question

to ask, but in this particular case, there is not much to complain about. If you want an example of food service to complain about, I'll give you one. A long, long, time ago, when I was a senior in high school, I picked up the town newspaper one morning only to find a report on how maggots had been found in some food they had been planning to serve (suffice to say I "brown-bagged" it for quite awhile after this). I'm sure that even Ed Murphy (current head guy over there at Daka) would look at this in negative light.

In the last few years, DAKA has gone from a low-quality food service group, to a higher quality one. Are they perfect? Is anyone or anything? Of course not. But they are not the evil, low quality food for high cost monster that most students seem to make them out to be. If you've got a problem, talk to them about it. I'm sure that they would be willing at least try to assist you in fixing whatever your beef is. Are they here to make money? Of course they are. Don't be naive and think that they are not. But to make money you have to respond to the concerns of your customers. DAKA has done this. They've tried a variety of techniques to spice up menu. If you think that their food is bad, or that they don't provide enough of a certain type of food, don't bitch to your friends, talk to DAKA.

David Spencer
Editor-in-Chief

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want, but not
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CAMPUS NEWS

The Internet: What is it??

By Ari Herzog (ari@ici.net)
Voice Staff

This column shall mark the first in a series of articles dealing with the Internet and various issues surrounding, confronting, and dealing with the information superhighway and the technological era that is pre-eminent in today's society. This week I shall write on the history and utilization of the Internet, including its applicable definition.

The Internet, simply speaking, is an abbreviation for "inter-network"; a virtual framework of computers linked to each other via cables and other hardware. Historically, the Internet (more commonly referred to as the Net; note the capitalization as it applies to a proper noun) dates back to July 1968 when the Department of Defense's Advanced Research Project Agency proposed and funded four leading,

academic research universities to be linked in a computer network for purposes so that the computers could be connected in order for the data to be available to researchers: this ARPAnet was composed of the University of Utah, the University of California at Santa Barbara, and at Los Angeles, and Stanford Research Institute.

By the mid-1980s, many new computer networks were formed for similar intents of ARPA: to provide a basic, virtual, infrastructure for researchers and scientists with common goals and interests to publicize and share their ideas and material with each other with quick responses. The DoD separated from ARPAnet and established a new military network, appropriately named MILnet. The Department of Energy established MFEnet for its researchers in Magnetic Fusion Energy; the DoE's High En-

ergy Physicists responded by building HEPnet. NASA Space Physicists followed with SPAN, and leading computer scientists in the academic and industrial sectors created CSnet. These offspring networks of the original ARPAnet were built primarily for large, closed-in communities of scholars; outsiders were not permitted to join the networks unless they were associated with the discipline, department, or company who controlled the network. By the late-1980s, all of these computer networks were interconnected into what is virtually, abstractly, known as the Internet. It should be noted, though, that the Internet is available for anyone in the world to publish, view, and share information; in an Intranet, company employees can share information internally without fear or consequence of outside influence.

By 1980, only 200 sites (a combination of educational, commercial, and governmental) were connected to ARPAnet. This number would change rapidly in the coming decade. Six years later, in November 1986, over 5000 sites were connected to the

newly named Internet. Eleven years later, in 1997, the Internet continues to grow at an explosive rate; currently, statistics show over 50,000 computer networks located on all seven continents and outer space with millions of single individuals and businesses connecting on annually. Most readers of this column should be familiar, at least by name recognition, with America Online. AOL, in early 1995, had approximately 2 million subscribers. By 1996, that figure had doubled to around 4 million. Now, almost one year subsequent, AOL has a subscriber base of over 7.5 million people around the world, mainly in the United States, Canada, England, France, and Japan.

I hope this brief synopsis of the history of the Internet has been satisfactory to your understanding of its importance in the ever-changing technological era we live and play in. Tune in next week to this column for an in-depth look at the various services of the Internet, including email, the Web, IRC, telnet, and ftp. Questions or comments can be directed to me care of this newspaper, or via email at the above email address.

Smoking Toaster Sends Students Into Cold

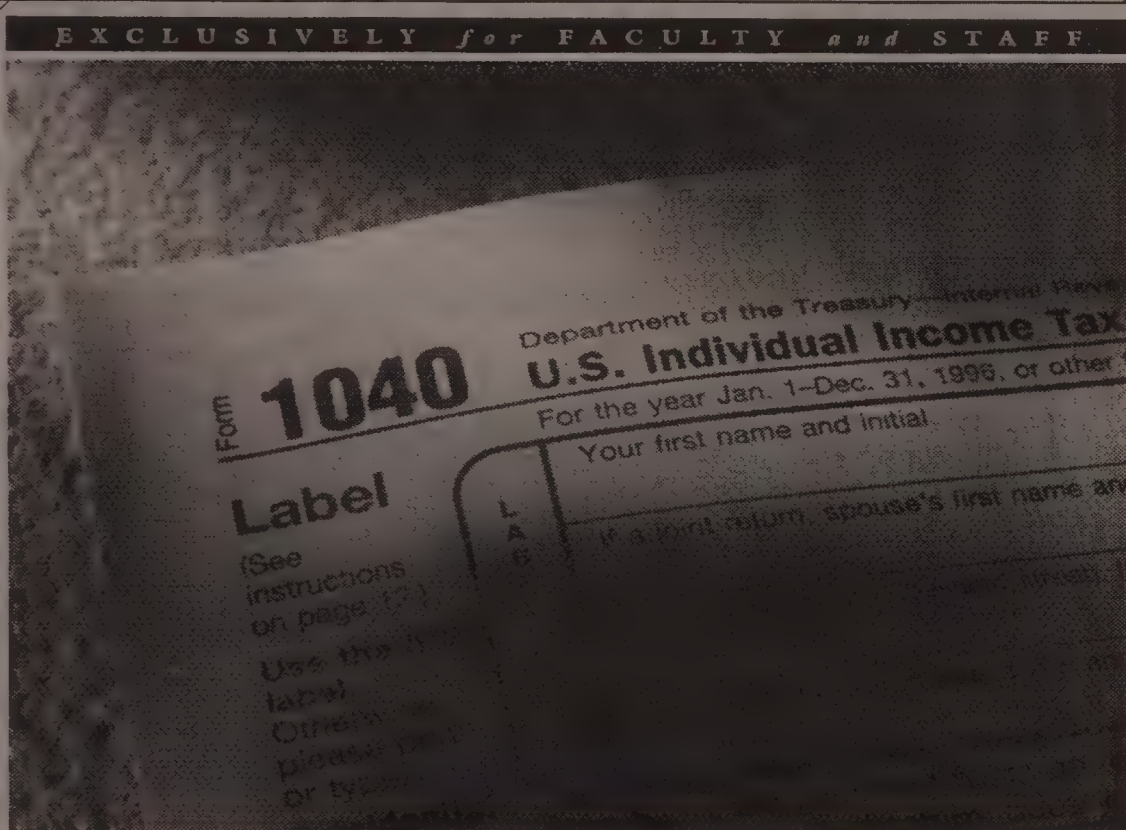
by David Spencer
Editor-in-Chief

In the early hours of last Friday morning, many of the school's early risers were forced to evacuate the Student Center not once, but twice, due to a malfunctioning toaster at the coffee bar.

An as yet unidentified student, when making his bagel that morning did not insert said bagel correctly. The bagel got stuck halfway through the toasting cycle.

As the bagel burned, rising smoke set off the smoke detectors. Fire officials. Less than twenty minutes after the Worcester Fire Department reset the alarm, the smoke from the toaster again set it off. This caused the students to again evacuate the Student Center and wait for Fire officials to give the green light for entrance to the building.

Students may be interested to know that during both alarms, the Fire Department arrived within minutes to the Student Center. The Campus Police arrived shortly thereafter on both occasions. For those of you who don't know, Worcester State College is serviced for fire emergencies by the Fire Dept. on Park Ave. (approximately 1/2 mile from school). If the Fire Department can get here in minutes, shouldn't the Campus Police be at the building within seconds? Something to think about.



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CAMPUS NEWS

fastWEB, the Internet's Largest *Free* Scholarship Matchmaking Service, Reaches Record High Usage Among Students

Need money for college? More than 1 million students have already sought the expertise of the Internet's leading scholarship matchmaking service, fastWEB, to help finance their higher education. More than 20,000 students daily are clicking onto the company's hugely popular Internet search site known as www.fastWEB.com (Financial Aid Search Through the Web), a free, fast and thorough service that quickly sorts through 180,000 financial aid awards to match students with scholarships appropriate to their individual qualifications or strengths.

"As the cost of education continues to grow at a rate three times inflation, we are delighted that we can help students find a way to fund their educations," said Bob Michelson, president of fastWEB. "In less than a year, usage of our free service has more than quadrupled, indicating that fastWEB is an ideal way for students to get accurate scholarship information within minutes."

Guiding Students Through the Financial Aid Jungle.

With the cost of college education skyrocketing, the need for financial aid in the form of scholarships, grants, loans and fellowships grows increasingly urgent. Yet students who seek financial aid can easily

become confused and overwhelmed, unable to find donors appropriate to their situations. Some high-priced "matchmaking services" have even been known to dupe students into paying up to \$1,000 for free information about financial aid.

How fastWEB Works

Students log onto the fastWEB home page on the Internet at www.fastWEB.com. The service equips each student with a personalized password-protected mailbox, and asks a series of questions, including name, major, hobbies, special interests, etc. Within five minutes, the service will scan its database of 180,000 listings to find financial outlets that match a student's profile. The service even provides users with a sample letter which can be used to request the scholarship application.

fastWEB recently introduced a new e-mail notification feature that makes the service even more convenient for students. Students automatically receive e-mail updates from fastWEB whenever a new award has been entered into the database that matches their unique criteria. The fastWEB database is updated daily (approximately 500 award listings are added or updates every night). This e-mail notification system serves to supplement the personal mailboxes that fastWEB maintains for each student.

The Service is Working for Students

fastWEB has received universal praise from students, whether they've found a \$250 award or funded an entire academic year through scholarship award sources provided from fastWEB. A few of those success stories include William Rivera, who received a \$3,000 scholarship from the state of North Carolina; Steve Applequist, a student at Loyola University in Chicago, who received two scholarships for his studies in microbiology; accounting student Marilyn Cole, who received a \$500 scholarship from the American Society of Women Accountants; and Grant Barnett, who received a \$2,000 scholarship from the university of California, Davis.

The value of fastWEB's services also has been recognized by the Department of Education, the National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators, FinAid: The Financial Aid information Page and nearly 400 of the largest universities and colleges in the United States, many of which have "hyperlinks" from the university's website to fastWEB. The service is also linked to the Department of Education's website.

About fastWEB

Founded in 1995, the fastWEB website was the first financial aid service to appear on

the Internet. Supported by corporate sponsorship, fastWEB's mission is to provide students with free and easy access to information on scholarships, fellowships, internships, grants and loans from corporations, institutions, philanthropic organizations, foundations and clubs. Today, fastWEB, based in North Chicago, Ill., remains the largest free scholarship search service, featuring more than 180,000 financial aid opportunities with an average of 20,000 students using the service daily.

To ensure that the service remains user friendly and accessible for students, fastWEB has established an advisory board comprised of financial aid directors from prominent universities throughout the country. The board meets regularly to discuss scholarship search issues and, recently, concluded a three-day planning session held this past January. Financial aid professionals from the following organizations serve as fastWEB's Board of Advisors: John Hopkins University, Columbia University, Purdue University, Arizona State University, University of Wisconsin at Stevens Point, Central Connecticut University and The Financial Aid Page.

For more information on fastWEB, call 1-800-FASTWEB, or visit the website at www.fastWEB.com.

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Poetry Page

Harmful Strings

I watched the show the other night
and watched with utter fascination as the
conductor weaved his baton through the magical air
making magic and then yes! i heard his sounds
echoed through the instruments of the symphony hall -
beauty, serenity, tranquility, awe-inspiring sounds
that i lust to create myself

but i am just a simple man
leading a simple life
i crave reputation as i desire fame
but i cannot control who i am and what my
faults and personal limits are
i can only play like the artist i am
and hope for the best -
that my harmful strings will become pure
once more
and i, too, will learn the art of magic

— Ari Hartzog

"Redd" T.

He is there,
No matter where I go.
He tries to stop me,
No matter what I do.

He clings to me with
An uncomfortable ease.
He tries to strangle me,
And almost succeeds.

At every door,
He bars my way.
What purpose he serves,
I cannot say.

Joe Stalin

"Sky's The Limit"

I sit here alone in the world,

As it seems to me.

The peaceful life above.

The calm of reality setting in around.

My own thoughts miles away

dreams soaring in the clouds .

I wonder how I'll ever come back down.

But its so much nicer there

feeling the sunshine-

the wind upon my cheeks

as I try to find my own place

in this world.

My eyes full of hope

transparent as the bright blue sky

scattering of clouds, of fears, of doubts

but always looking onward

even in to the darkness reality may bring.

Justine Giardiello

HOUSE OF THE RISING SUN

Just home from the hospital again
My Father laid in repose for days
Chronic illnesses from a chronic life
Besieged by his own mortality
he was languished by uncertainty
Tests and needles and few answers
A harrowing nightmare of despair
He is too young to be that old
The tenuous web of life let go
another strand dissolved
Once a hardy man full of vigor
now sleeps with the T.V. on
His body is tired and weakened
Working hard all of his life
has contributed to his undoing
Boilers filled with asbestos
and cigarettes took him slowly
Yet, he still remains
a shadow of the man he was
His perseverance is admirable
Now he is recovering as best he can
While he was in the hospital
I prayed for him everyday
Our relationship has prospered
over the years
I am grateful for this
I love my Father very much!
It is so easy to focus on him
Unfortunately, I have my own
demons to battle as well
I don't watch it
I could wind up the same way
Not a victim, just unhealthy choices
My Father has been teaching me a
very important lesson by example
Don't do the things I've done
I remain hopeful...
Christopher M. Smith

CAMPUS NEWS

Spotlight On: Carla Tavares

by Kristen Servant
Student Activities Intern

Welcome to the second half of the Spring 1997 semester. Spring is officially here, but I don't think that anyone has told Jack Frost yet. Spring is the perfect time to devote yourself to a worthy cause. Worcester State College has numerous clubs and organizations that provide an outlet for community outreach. These organizations need your help to reach a greater population of people. MASSPIRG is one of the most active community-orientated organizations at WSC, but is also one that is not too well known. Carla Tavares, the Chapter Chair of MASSPIRG, describes MASSPIRG as an organization that "provides students with an avenue to get involved in political and com-

munity service campaigns that make a difference. MASSPIRG works on issues like the environment, hunger, and homelessness that work to make changes for a better society."

MASSPIRG has been involved in the voter registration drive, food and clothing drives to benefit the hungry and homeless, peanut butter and jelly sandwich making benefit for the hungry, and a campaign against toxic chemicals. They are also working on updating the "Bottle Bill." In the future, Ms. Tavares explained, MASSPIRG is "planning a forum on the causes of hunger and homelessness, Earth Day, a Campus Clean-Up, Operation Clean-City, and clothing drives." Students are encouraged to join

MASSPIRG in their efforts to better the community by attending their meetings on Tuesdays at 1:00 in the Student Center Cafe.

When asked how she became involved in Student Activities, Ms. Tavares explained that she "was walking in the Student Center and I saw a table with posters and papers about MASSPIRG. He (the representative of MASSPIRG) started talking to me about MASSPIRG. I filled out a card and he started calling me with information about upcoming events and meetings." Ms. Tavares had this suggestion to those curious about becoming involved in Student Activities, "I think that if you like to do a certain thing, such as helping our environment, you should try to find the activity that comes

closer to what you like to do."

As for MASSPIRG's future, Ms. Tavares "would like to see MASSPIRG raise more political awareness about the problems and solutions we face as a society. Additionally, (she would like to see MASSPIRG) provide students with a way to address issues that affect students as citizens." Ms. Tavares is devoted to raising awareness and invites those with similar interests to join MASSPIRG.

Want to become involved in one of the many student organizations? Call the Student Center/ Student Activities Office at 793-8073, or contact the specific organization through their extension in the Student Handbook.

Contemporary Art Lecture Series Begins

by Valerie Beals
Voice Staff

A series of lectures sponsored by the Visual and Performing Arts Department began Wednesday, March 19 at 7pm. The first lecture in the series discussed (to a standing room only crowd!) the life and art of a man named Jacob Knight. If you are of the same opinion as I am, you may be saying to yourself, "that sounds like a boring way to spend an evening." Well, think again!

The Lecture, given by Anne Parker (a

longtime friend of Jacob Knight) started off with a brief history of the man himself. Ms. Parker turned quickly into the different phases of Mr. Knight's artwork, and then to an open forum for questions and answers. Almost before the lecture started, it was over, leaving us wanting for more insight into this somewhat disturbed and highly talented man. Mr. Knight's artwork, which has never been displayed in a gallery, was quite unsettling. Even in some of his more subdued paintings, it seemed as if there was an

element of the bizarre. Yet, as we watched the slide show, you could only feel mesmerized by the painstaking detail in all of his works.

In his last series of paintings, called "large scale historical paintings," this attention to detail became abundantly clear.

Unfortunately, Mr. Knight's need for perfection led to his undoing. Jacob Knight passed away in 1994, but his artwork remains as a reminder of the talent he pos-

sessed. One of his later works, "A Town Painting" can be found in Mary Lane Hospital. His artwork was inspiring, and this lecture gave me and many others the chance to see an artist we never knew existed.

The lecture series continues on April 3 with Howard Johnson and Richard Klein at 7pm in the North/South Auditorium. For more information about the series, contact the Visual and Performing Arts Department at 793-8000, ext. 8843.

Honors Convocation Rocks

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Biology - Kerri L. Melcher, Biotechnology - Moses M. Mwangi, Business Administration - Martin D. Kelly, Chemistry - Trina L. Ahrens, Communication Disorders - Paula R. Dow, Communications - Leighann Zagami, Computer Science - Erin R. Cataldo, Early Childhood Education - Kerian M. DeLorme, Economics - Cheryl M. Lowney, Elementary Education - Karen L. Rheault, English - Monica L. Nelson, French - Minh Hoang Thi Chau, Geography - Leanne Rabitor, Health Sciences - Clare S. Donelson, Mary M. Ford, History - Lori Ann Stoddart, Mathematics - Kelly R. Wood, Natural Science - Karen L. Rheault, Nursing - Patrice A. Clear, Occupational Therapy - Sue A. Dacey, Physics - Huy N. Dao, Psychology - Susan E. Pfeffer, Sociology - Lynn-Anne Nanigian, Spanish - Thomas J. Cummings IV, Urban Studies - Louise M. McGrath.

In addition to these awards there were

thirty-seven Academic Scholarship Awards and over two dozen Special Academic Recognition Awards. An incredible 720 students made the Honors List, Fall Semester 1996. There were 351 Honor Societies Inductees and twenty-four Dual Enrollment Honorees. After the Recessional, there was a reception held in the Exhibit Area in the Student Center. There was a reasonable turnout for this event and everything went quite well. Into the annals of WSC history it goes....Academic Honors Convocation 1997! A day we can all benefit from and enjoy, both this year, and the years to come!



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WORCESTER STATE COLLEGE DEPARTMENT OF VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS PRESENTS

INNOCENCE AND GUILT: THE OUTSIDER AND CONTEMPORARY ART

A series of lectures and events presenting artists whose intuitive inspirations and influences lie outside formal education, art history, and established traditions. Not folk art, not self-consciously avant-garde, the genre encompasses hypnagogic, individualistic expressions of the obsessive and the nightmarish and the rapturous, the hellish and utopian.

ANN PARKER: THE ART OF JACOB KNIGHT
Wednesday, March 19, 7:00 p.m., North/South Auditorium, Student Center.

Photographer, author, and lecturer, Ann Parker presents a visual and biographical remembrance of the late Jacob Knight. An artist whose work was at once intensely private and prolifically public, Knight produced extraordinary paintings, illustrations, textile designs, and environments. Ms. Parker shares her singular and extensive photographic archive of one of the region's most tenacious and individualistic artists.

HOWARD JOHNSON AND RICHARD KLEIN: AN ARTIST AND A CURATOR
Thursday, April 3, 7:00 p.m., North/South Auditorium, Student Center

An evening of art and rumination with Howard Johnson, Worcester-based artist whose intensely personal, psychologically jarring works are receiving extensive regional and national exposure. Prophetic visions, creation mythologies, cosmologies, and arduous obsessions inhabit the drawings, paintings, and constructions of this prolific and driven artist.

Richard Klein, artist and Assistant Director of the Aldrich Museum of Ridgefield, Connecticut, presents a lecture and engages in a dialogue with Howard Johnson. Mr. Klein addresses the visionary nature of "outsider" art, its defining characteristics and its present status in being aggressively embraced by the art world.

PAUL LAFFOLEY: SOMAKATOLIGON (DEGREES OF EMBODIMENT): ART AND MINDPHYSICS
Thursday, April 17, 7:00 p.m., North/South Auditorium, Student Center

Boston-based artist and founder of Boston Vision Cell, Inc., Paul Laffoley, engages the audience in a slide discussion of his work and ideas. Intense, autodidactic, and intellectual, Mr. Laffoley lays out his multi-faceted vision in complex diagrammatic painting, drawing, and architectural fantasy. High-flying imagination and dead earnestness in service of a utopian mission.

TOP ROCK CREW: OUTSIDE TOGETHER
Thursday, April 24, 10:30-1:30 p.m., First Floor Exhibit Area, Student Center

Top Rock Crew, an exuberant and fluid group of youthful artists, presents an exhibition, dance performance, and inter-arts workshop. With roots in Worcester's Great Brook Valley and in hip-hop culture, Top Rock Crew creates meticulous, mural-scale art and related performance that are relentlessly collaborative and high energy. They will exhibit a large multi-panel painting created specifically for the College and for this event.

This series is free of admission charge and open to the public. It is funded by a Worcester State College Professional Development Grant. For information about this series and other arts events, call: (508) 793-8000, Ext. 8843.

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Arts & Entertainment

Dining Out the College Way with *Trish, Roula, and Guests*



This past week after playing volleyball in the gym and then bumping the ball around in the student center we needed more calories to burn off. Even though we were up for fast food, Burger King and Pizza Hut are closed on campus in late afternoon. We definitely weren't up for DAKA so we decided on Angela's Restaurant on 257 Park Ave., where you can have a traditional Italian meal.

Trish, "Heckle", "Jeckle", and I, made it to the restaurant from campus in under four

minutes. We lucked out, had we stopped at the Chandler/ Park Ave intersection we might have had to pass on dinner there because we would have just missed the last parking space. Upon entering the restaurant we were promptly seated at a booth in the non-smoking section of the crowded restaurant. The atmosphere in there is nice and quiet and we had trouble keeping our voices down. Except for the brown beads hanging from the ceiling which reminded us of the seventies the decor is simple in a pleasant

way.

It took approximately 30 seconds to get ourselves noticed. We were the only loud bunch in the restaurant. Immediately after seating us, the waitress brought over a plate of fried dough. I ordered a Caesar salad, crisp romaine lettuce tossed with homemade Caesar dressing and croutons (\$3.95) and a cup of coffee. The salad was very good and the dressing was excellent. "Jeckle" tried the Fettuccine Alfredo with rich cream, egg, sweet butter and cheese (\$8.95).

"Jeckle" and I both opted for the lasagna for \$6.95 a plate. The price is reasonable for the portion that we got. I really enjoyed my meal except for the fact that we were puzzled as to whether there was sausage or

meat in there or perhaps chicken? "Jeckle" is leaning towards the sausage and I am claiming its ground meat. My advice is try it and get back to us please.

The menu includes a wide variety of entrees such as seafood, chicken, veal, pastas and pizzas. The portions are very generous and the prices extremely reasonable. I highly recommend trying Angela's, especially if you are planning a date. The setting is perfect!!!

We went with friends and we were extremely loud but we both recommend this for a date. The total for the four of us was \$31.29.

The prices are reasonable, the menu is well balanced, and the atmosphere is nice.

Gamma Rays Can Be Good For You

Paul Zindel's The Effect of Gamma Rays on Man-in-the-Moon Marigolds will be presented by the students of the Department of Visual and Performing Arts at Worcester State College on April 10 through 13.

This touching and inspirational play portrays a teenager growing up in a severely dysfunctional household. Tillie's experimentation with irradiated flower seeds opens her eyes to the cosmos beyond her pathetic family, which is dominated by her mother, Beatrice, a tyrannical alcoholic. Whereas Ruth, the younger daughter, seems content to inherit her mother's world-view

and shallow values, Tillie's probing intellect pierces the oppressive cocoon of the family and indicates another choice for designing her life. Winner of the Pulitzer Prize, the Obie, and the New York Drama Critics Circle Award, the script has been a favorite for teen-aged audiences for over two decades.

The production, under the direction of Professor Anne Marie Shea, stars Ramona Puchalski as Beatrice, the mother of the distressed family, Michelle Buonopane as her younger daughter Ruth, and Lisa Vigeant as Tillie, the budding scientist. Also fea-

tured are Jen Jackman as the octogenarian boarder, and Vanessa Fischer-Mackey as Tillie's high school classmate. Faculty designer Hallie Zieselman is designing the set. Lighting design is by student Alyscia Juzukonis, with costumes designed by student Robert Latino.

The cast is supplemented by the lively presence of a yet-unnamed rabbit, making his stage debut in the quiet, but pivotal, role of "Peter." Though meek in demeanor and

small in stature, the angora starlet provides a new twist to the adage, "there are no small parts, only talented housepets." We anticipate that he will leave his mark on the WSC stage.

Performances are scheduled for 8pm, thursday, April 10, Friday, April 11, and Saturday, April 12, with a 2pm matinee on Sunday, April 13. Ticket prices are \$7 for the general public and \$5 for students and senior citizens.



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3. The title page should follow with the title of the story and the student's Social Security number ONLY.
4. Every page should contain the social Security Number and page number.
5. Copies of the short story should be left with Carolyn Dumais in s-213 by April 8, 1997.
6. The contest is open to all full and part-time WSC students.
7. Only one selection per student may be submitted.
8. Previous Prize winners are disqualified from submitting stories.

There would have been a story here, but there was no one to write it.

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SPORTS

What Others Are Saying

Other reaction, besides mine, to Tuesday's blockbuster deal: (From USA Today staff and wire reports)

Indians pitcher CHARLES NAGY: "We've been spoiled in Cleveland for so long, because we've had so many familiar faces for so many years. Sometimes you forget it's a business and that players come and go."

Indians catcher Sandy Alomar: "With the way salaries are going these days, baseball is kind of like a Monopoly game. It's like a rotisserie league."

Braves President Stan Kasten: "I love (Justice and Grissom). It's like being a stockbroker. You can't fall in love with stocks or you'll go broke. This is just the way it is."

Braves pitcher John Smoltz: "We sort of expected Justice leaving...It's hard to distinguish between the center fielder we lost and the center fielder we gained."

Baltimore Orioles manager Davey Johnson: "I had no idea (the Indians) would trade Lofton. They don't have the same kind of aura they once had."

Boston first baseman Mo Vaughn, disappointed the Red Sox didn't make a trade: "There aren't too

many Kenny Loftons and Marquis Grissoms out there. We need a guy who could occupy a base, not necessarily steal a base."

Oakland A's manager Art Howe, whose team opens vs. the Indians: "Let's hope (David) Justice doesn't have his swing together until after that first series."

Chicago White Sox first baseman Frank Thomas: "It was a good trade for the Indians. They picked up two All-Stars for one."

Minnesota Twins manager Tom Kelly: "I was getting tired of Kenny Lofton taking everything

away from us, but Justice and Grissom are awfully good too."

New York Mets pitcher Dave Mlicki, who came up in the minors with Alan Embree: "The guy can pitch through a brick wall. He just needs a little confidence."

Montreal Expos manager Felipe Alou, who once had Grissom: "You got to have your seat belt well fastened to make a deal like that. That's a lot of money changing hands."

Leold

(leold@javanet.com)

by Roger and Salem Salloom 01996

I think I've found a cure for some of these infectious diseases. Follow me closely on this.

When germs go into our bodies they are not reading books. They are eating.

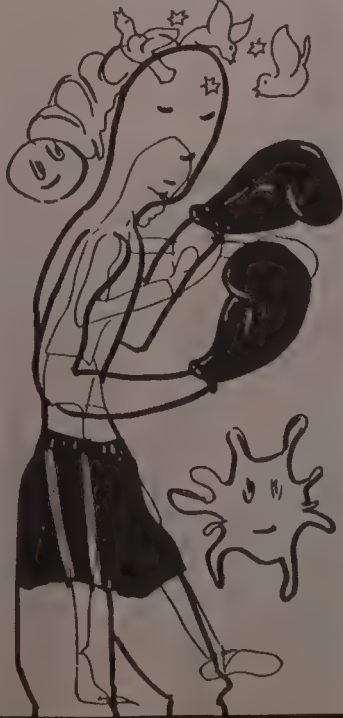
They're eating us.

Maybe on Wednesday they all gather 'round the liver, then on the following Monday they start on the lungs.....

What if we offered them something else to eat?free.

We lure them out of the body with an offer of let's say hamburgers tiny weeny hamburgers..... with infinitesimally small pickles. When they come out, we throw 'em on the floor and step on 'em.

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SPORTS

Coccozzella Speaks Out

by Michael Coccozzella
Sports Editor

Wow. Major League Baseball's regular season hasn't even started yet and we've already had a trade that's rocked the baseball world off its foundation. Early Tuesday morning the Cleveland Indians traded All-Star Gold Glove center fielder Kenny Lofton and hard throwing reliever Alan Embree to the Atlanta Braves for All Star Gold Glove center fielder Marquis Grissom and former All Star right fielder David Justice. Lofton, who is recognized as baseball's best lead off hitter, has led the American League in stolen bases in each of his five full seasons and owns a .313 lifetime batting average with 327 career stolen bases. He hit .317 and stole 75 bases last year. Grissom has 323 career

stolen bases and hit .308 with 23 homers and 28 stolen bases last year. Justice, the slugger whose 1996 season ended May 15 with a separated shoulder, should bat fifth in the Indian's lineup behind Matt Williams and Jim Thome.

I think this is a terrific deal for both teams. Let's start with the Braves. Any team whose starting lineup includes Kenny Lofton and the two Joneses, Andruw and Chipper, is going to be really, really exciting. Lest we forget, they've also got three pretty good starting pitchers named Maddux, Smoltz, and Glavine. Now only the Seattle Mariners, who have Junior Griffey, Alex Rodriguez, Edgar Martinez and Randy Johnson, are as glamorous a team. More importantly, though, the Braves saved more than \$7 mil-

lion by pulling the trigger on this deal. All that money will come in handy when two of their aces, Greg Maddux and Tom Glavine, become eligible for free agency at the end of the season.

The Indians also reap benefits from this trade. They have gained outfield stability and have strengthened their roster. Kenny Lofton was going to leave at the end of the season anyway, when he is eligible for free agency. Grissom is signed through 1999 and Justice 1998. The Indians had already seen Albert Belle leave via free agency last year and absolutely did not want to get nothing in return for Lofton too. The Indians tried to sign Lofton this spring but he rejected their \$45 million, 5 year contract offer, saying he wanted \$11 million a season. Justice

is fully healed from a shoulder injury that limited him to 40 games last year and will team with Manny Ramirez, Jim Thome, and newly acquired third baseman Matt Williams to make sure that even without Albert Belle, the Indian's party does not lack for punch.

The new-look Indians will advance to the American League Championship Series, where they will fall to the awesome Seattle Mariners, 4 games to 2. The Braves will square off against those Mariners in the World Series, and while I am not ready to predict a winner, I can say that these two mega-talented teams will make the World Series even more glamorous than the Oscars.

Let's Make A Deal

by Michael Coccozzella
Sports Editor

The Cleveland Indians and Atlanta Braves completed a trade of monstrous proportions early Tuesday morning that gives each team a new lead-off batter. Cleveland sent All-Star outfielder and five time American League stolen base king Kenny Lofton and reliever Alan Embree to Atlanta for All-star outfielder Marquis Grissom and former all-star right fielder David Justice.

This deal allows the Braves to save more than \$7.7 million, money they'll desperately need to retain the services of aces Greg Maddux and Tom Glavine when both become free agents at the end of this season.

The Indians get outfield stability. Lofton, perhaps the best all-around center fielder in the game and the game's best lead-off batter, is a free-agent at the end of this season. The Indians tried to sign him this spring, but he rejected their 5-year, \$45 million contract offer. He wants \$11 million a season.

The Braves now have room in the outfield for phenoms Andruw Jones and Jermaine Dye. For the time being they will share Justice's old right field position. Universal opinion is that Jones will be the game's next great superstar. Dye projects to be an offensive contributor on par with Justice.

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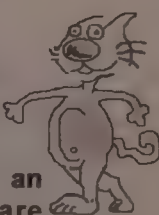
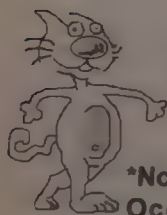
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Fri. April 11	at Salem State	3:30 pm
Sat. April 12	at U/Mass Dartmouth	1 pm
Mon. April 14	at Curry	3:30 pm
Thurs. April 17	at Franklin Pierce	3:30 pm
Sat. April 19	at Nichols	1 pm
Tues. April 22	Assumption	3:30 pm
Thurs. April 24	Roger Williams	4 pm
Sat. April 26	at Suffolk	12 pm
Tues. April 29	Western New England	3:30 pm



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Second Annual Kids Day Rocks!

by David Spencer
Editor-in-Chief

Last Friday, the Commuter Advisory Board and the Student Events Committee put on the Second Annual Kids Day. Worcester State students, faculty and staff were allowed to bring their children, their grandchildren, their nieces, their nephews, their brothers, their sisters, and/or their neighbors for a few hours of fun. Kids Day was presnted free of charge, except for planting seeds, which was done for a nominal fee.

The whole shebang took place in the Exhibit Area of the Student Center, though the music could be heard throughout the building.

The Spring Buuny made an appearance and had his picture taken with many of the

kids present. After having their picture taken, each child received a basket of goodies. Over 200 children had their pictures taken

The Student Senate set up a table at which the children could plant seeds.

There were even a couple of clowns there handing out ballons.

The main attraction had to be Street Singer Stephen Baird. Mr. Baird was a hold-over from last year's Kid's Day. He brought props that the kids could wear, organized mini-parades for the kids, and sang many an entertaining song. The music was entertaining for child and adult alike.

Despite the amusing atmosphere, several students did not join in and instead chose to



Stephen Baird entertains the kiddies at Kids Day

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African Peace Tour to Come to Worcester State!

by David Spencer
Editor-in-Chief

On Friday, April 11, SEC, the History/Political Science Department and the Office of Diversity will presnet the African Peace Tour. This program will run from 8am until 12pm in the North/South Auditorium of the Student Center.

The program consists of three speakers; Tshiela Benda, Nozipo Glenn, and Ezekiel Pajibo.

Tshiela is from Zaire and is well versed on Zairian politics. She will give an overview on the Great Lakes region and then give an assessment of the possibilities of a successful democratic transition in Zaire. She has lived most of her life under the Mobutu regime and is thoroughly familiar with it's shortcomings.

Nozipo is a member of the Pan Africanist Congress of Azania. She has been active in

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Muslim Student Organization Gathers

By Christopher M. Smith
Voice Staff

The college campus is a place of learning, networking and planning for the future. It is much more than just the academics alone that allows for all of us to enrich ourselves through our common experience. There are countless facets to this experience and an institution of higher learning is an ideal place to provide a forum for exploration and expression. All voices must be acknowledged, because if our convictions are so tenuous that they cannot withstand a challenge, then we may need to ask ourselves why we believe what we do. In any event,

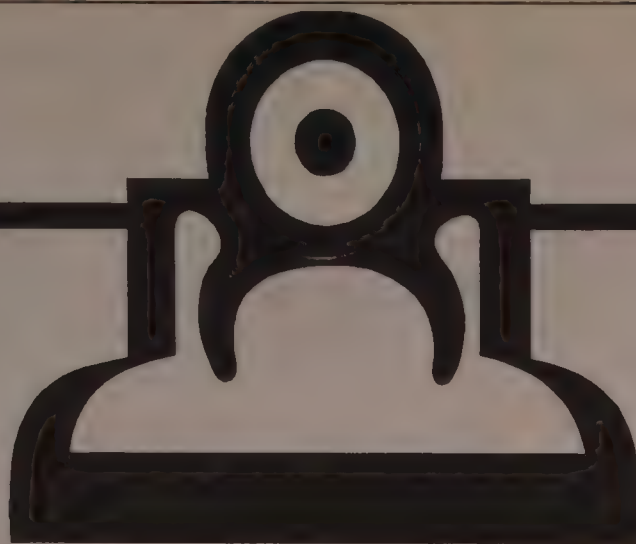
education is the name of the game here at Worcester State College. State colleges tend to have a great deal of latitude in their demographics. All walks of life pass through the doors of a campus that allow for an embracing of the process of life. Without diversity life would be listless, predictable and one-dimensional. It has been brought to my attention that one aspect of this diversity is gaining focus here at WSC. Because of this, those that have an interest in the Muslim religion are getting together. They are in good company for there are several other

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Saturday, April 5

- SEC New York Trip

Monday, April 7

- WSC Chorale Auction begins, today through Friday
- Men's Tennis at WPI at 3:30pm

Wednesday, April 9

- Campus Ministry Pasta Supper at 6pm
- Last Day to use the Pass/Fail option**

Thursday, April 10

- Campus Ambassadors Spaghetti Dinner at 5:30pm
- WSC V&PA Theater production
- Women's Softball vs. Clark at 4pm
- Men's Baseball vs. Clark 4pm
- Golf at WPI at 1pm

Saturday, April 12

- Baseball vs. Salem State at noon
- Softball vs. Salem State at noon
- Career Expo at 8:30-1:30
- Operation Clean City at 10am

Sunday, April 13

- Open Campus

Monday, April 14

- Softball vs. Smith at 5pm

Tuesday, April 15

- City Tournament at WSC
 - Anna Maria vs. Clark at 3pm
 - WPI vs. WSC at 5pm
 - Championship Game at 7pm
- Golf vs. MIT at 1pm

Wednesday, April 16

- Bay State Wheelers 9am-1pm
- SGA Elections

Thursday, April 17

- Baseball vs. UMass Boston at 3:30pm
- SGA Elections



COMMENTARY

The Soapbox

Stop, Thief!

Where is this country headed? That seems to be the question now-a-days. Crime is on the rise, and is now entering previously sacred areas. Crime was non-existent, murders occur weekly. In small towns, robbery is now a fact of life.

A friend of mine was robbed recently. Is this really so strange? For me it was due to the circumstances. This friend is an elderly woman with whom I volunteer. We both volunteer at a BINGO in Hudson, MA. If you've ever been to Hudson, then you know that this is what they mean when they talk about small towns. Her purse was stolen during the clean-up of the BINGO hall. Her

purse was found in a trash barrel in the lower floor ladies room later on.

Before you start saying "She shouldn't have left her purse unattended," you must understand three things. 1. This is a REALLY small town. 2. She's had the same post-BINGO routine for several decades, without anything like this ever happening before. 3. Everyone should be safe to leave things unattended. You may call the third point unrealistic, and that may well be true.

Before you Super-Ultra-Nazi-Conservatives start in on how it must have been a

black person (*I refuse to use P.C. language*), let me assure you that the suspect was, in fact, white. This, however, should have no bearing on the matter. There is right, and there is wrong. And theft from the elderly is always wrong. To use a quote "There is good, and there is evil, and evil must be punished. Even in the face of Armageddon I shall not compromise in this." (150 points to whoever can figure out what fictional character said this, when and where. hint: the book is in the Worcester State library) This has stuck with me. What this about is accountability. There can be no excuse if

you've done something.

Back to the point, part of the problem, being the society founded on civil rights that we are, defends the rights of the accused above the rights of the victim. True, this is not a problem per se, and looking at crime solely from the victim's perspective would lead to many a false conviction, we need to balance the rights of the accused with the rights of the victim. If we can do that near-impossible act, we will be one step closer to a better legal system.

David Spencer
Editor-in-Chief

MASSPIRG Speaks Out

The issue of homelessness is pressing in Worcester County. There are over 2,000 homeless people in the area, the majority of them being single mothers and their children. Much needed funding for housing, food, and medical care has been drastically cut. It is time people in the Worcester area took a stand to help those in need.

There was an educational forum on March 4, discussing this issue. The turnout was large, showing the concern the population of Worcester has for this issue. There are many ways a person can help; write your selectmen (tell them to stop cutting much needed funding), volunteer at a homeless

shelter or soup kitchen, support community projects that support the homeless (Earth Day '97 is a good place to start as there will be tables raising much needed money for local shelters).

This issue is a pressing one. Every person who takes a stand helps a person in need. For further information, contact MASSPIRG, a local shelter or any of the groups in Worcester geared towards helping those in need.

Meg Carey
MASSPIRG

DAKA Responds...

To: David Spencer, Editor-in-Chief
From: Ed Murphy, Director of Dining Services
Date: March 31, 1997
Subject: The Soapbox

As the new head guy at Daka, I would like to respond and thank you for the recent commentary in the Voice. I cannot agree with you more to say that my college dining service philosophy begins with a proactive approach to reaching out to our guests, to know how we can service them better, faster, and, of course, with a smile. We need to stay ahead of the competition and offer new and exciting items. We need to market ourselves to the WSC Community and strive to make a positive impact on the campus. I urge each of our guests to take us up on our Guest Satisfaction Guar-

antee. If something is not right, let us know so we can make it right!

Each month, I conduct a Guest Forum in each dining area. I set up a table at meal time and solicit feedback and comments from our guests. I respond to each question or comment. We also have begun monthly Dining Service Advisory Meetings that consists of 4 resident students and 4 commuting students. This group will generate and discuss ideas, comments and general feedback as it relates to Dining Services. Another great communication tool.

The following are the recently appointed members: Residents-Renee Arnold, Amy Choquette, Kerri DeMille, and Dean Drake. Commuters-Sandra Backstrom, Dan Germain, David Jarzowski, and Jen Lavalley. Our next meeting will be scheduled for April 17.

Now that I've got your attention, let me reiterate that while I said that Daka tends to become the scapegoat about anything food related on this campus (And they actually sometimes at fault), If we don't say anything to them, they have every right to continue giving bad service. If you have a beef with Daka, either talk to them, or you can use the Student Voice to press the issue for you. That's what we are both here for.

David Spencer
Editor-in-Chief

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CAMPUS AND WORLD NEWS

Shopping For a Student Loan? Go On-Line Before You Get In Line

If the idea of shopping for a student loan makes you think of standing in line at the bank, waiting on the telephone line for assistance or facing too many confusing questions and blank lines on an application, relax—on-line help is here. Using the Internet to locate information about student loans before you begin the actual application process will arm you with important knowledge that will help you choose the loan that is right for you.

"We know that students are accessing the Internet now more than ever in their searches for information," said Lydia Marshall, executive vice president, Sallie Mae. "That's why we encourage students to spend a little more time on the Internet before choosing which bank or credit union to lend them funds for college. All loans look the same when you take them out, but when it comes time for repayment, there are different cost-saving options to choose from."

To start, Marshall recommends accessing some of the Internet search engines and directories to narrow down the options. Search engines and directories such as Yahoo™, AltaVista™, HotBot, Excite, Infoseek®, and Webcrawler all provide a number of links to Web sites that have information about financial aid and student loans. Some of the most common key words to use when using search engines to find this information include *student loan*, *college loan*, *education loan*, and *paying for college*.

Two comprehensive Web sites that are often listed by the major search engines as a result of key word searches include:

FinAid, The Financial Aid Information Page (www.finaid.org)-This Web site is an independent, comprehensive and objective guide to student fi-

nancial aid. It offers facts about student loans, sources of financial aid, books and periodicals on financial aid and a thorough glossary of terms. The site also features links to other financial aid/student loan Web sites.

Sallie Mae (www.salliemae.com)-Sallie Mae's comprehensive Web site is a significant resource for financial aid information, including student loans. Students and their families will find interactive calculators to help forecast college costs, estimate their federal Estimated Family Contribution (EFC) and compute loan payments; information on federal and private loan programs including rates and terms; information on what to look for in a lender; an interactive list of lenders offering Sallie Mae's money-saving

benefits; and much more.

In addition, students who are interested in gathering information about scholarships, in particular, how to avoid scholarship scams, should log-on to the Federal Trade Commission's Web site www.ftc.gov. This Web site offers college students six important tips for ensuring scholarship search services and offers are authentic.

For more information on financial aid and acquiring student loans, log-on to Sallie Mae's Internet site, www.salliemae.com or call College Answer at 1-800-891-4599, weekdays, 9am-9pm ET.

WSC Students

Don't Forget to come and vote for your representatives at SGA elections on Wednesday, April 16th in the Sullivan "T" and Thursday, April 17th across from the Info Desk in the Student Center

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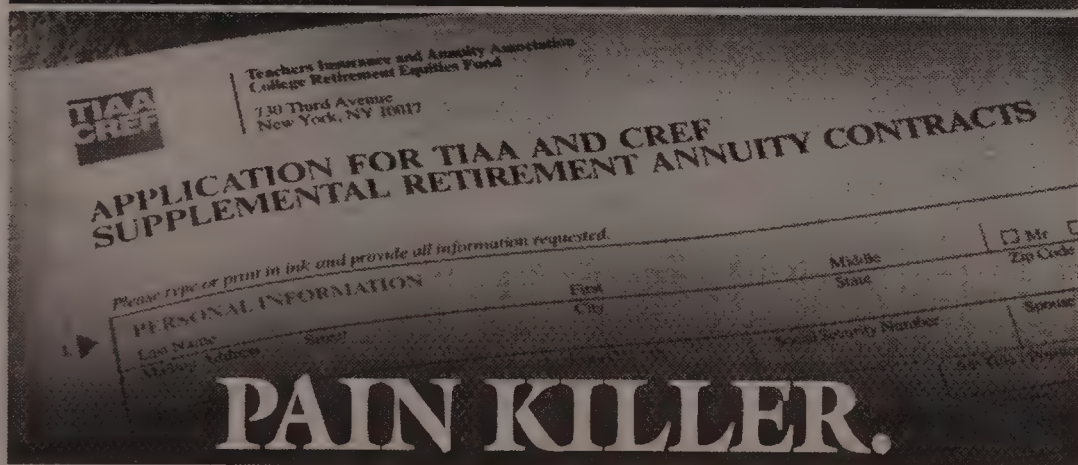
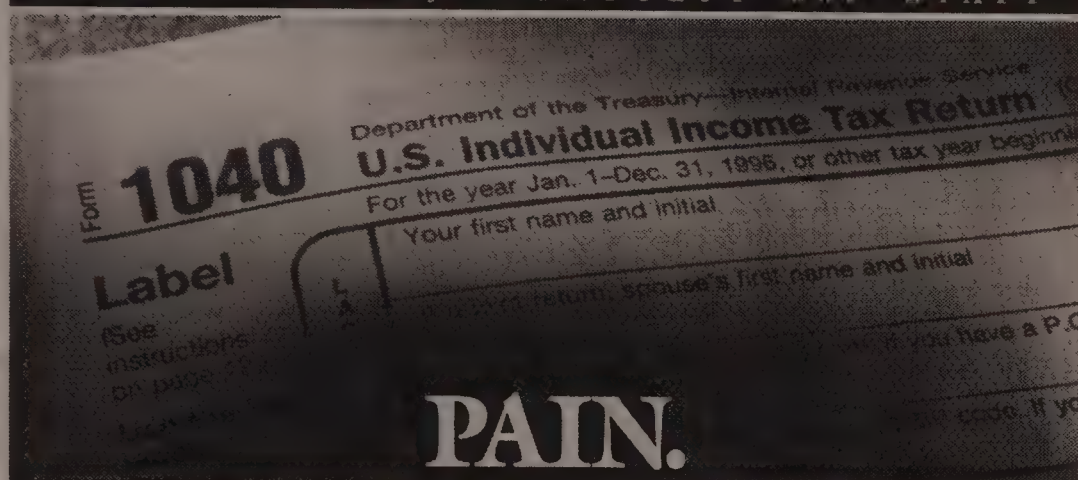
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CAMPUS AND WORLD NEWS

The Society Of Sociologists Continues With Spring '97 Lecture Series

By Christopher M. Smith
Voice Staff

The Society of Sociologists began their coordination of the lecture series earlier this year. They decided to have three separate lectures during the Spring '97 semester that they believed would be of interest, not only to fellow Sociologists, but to the larger academic community as well. These events are not exclusive to any group or affiliation and anyone with an interest is welcome. The theme is "Topics of concern for the 90's." The topics themselves apply before, during and after the 90's, but the phrase is coined appropriately and fits the present scene quite well. All of the lectures are held in the North/South Auditorium of the Student Center.

The first lecture was held on Tuesday, February 25, 1997 with speakers that represented Mayor Mariano, The Fugitive Ap-

prehension/Gang Task Force and Nathan Peterson from Y.O.U. Inc. The topic was "Youth Awareness" and everyone involved benefited from the experience.

The second lecture took place on Monday, March 24, 1997. The topic was "Technology and Its Effects on Unemployment and Employability." The speakers included Ms. Donata Martin, Area Director for Southern Worcester County, D.E.T., Mr. Jim Lagrant, Manager Robotics & Engineering, Worcester Polytechnic Institute and Mr. Joe Lysiak, D.E.T Customer Relations Representative. Ms. Gladys Rodriguez-Parker, Aide to the Honorable James McGovern, Congressman 3rd District, Massachusetts and Ms. Leslie Melkonian-Torrey, Business Manager, Digital also joined the very impressive panel. Many relevant issues were discussed during this lecture as was the case with the first one. Mr. Lagrant provided the audience with some insights into the pros

and cons of automation. Mr. Lysiak talked about the increasing alienation that technology is bringing and he put emphasis on maintaining the human element, both on the job, and in life in general. He also spoke about the fact that job security has changed dramatically over the years. Ms. Martin talked about education and how to safely embrace technology and use it wisely. Ms. Rodriguez-Parker conveyed the Congressman's views on this topic as well as some of her own. These were consistent with the concerns of the rest of the panelists. Ms. Melkonian-Torrey spoke very eloquently and demonstrated a level of sophistication that allowed her to communicate with the audience very effectively. She spoke about the flexibility that working mothers can have by becoming educated about technology. She also mentioned that downsizing in a company due to jobs being

replaced, either directly or indirectly, by technology can have a devastating impact on individuals. She expressed a lot of optimism for the future in terms of the relationship between technology and employability. There was a brief question and answer period following the lecture and then many people stayed for cookies and coffee. It proved to be a successful engagement.

The third lecture will be on Monday, April 29, 1997. The topic will be "The Elderly And Health Care Reform" and it will tentatively begin at 2:00 PM. You may call for verification or see flyers that will be distributed prior to the lecture. For further information and to verify the time and date of the lecture, contact The Social and Behavioral Sciences Department at WSC at 793-8000 x.8159. Your presence and support will be helpful in making this program a success!

African Tour Hits WSC

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South African politics since she was 16 years old. 'Nozipo was in exile in Dayton, Ohio for 23 years. She traveled extensively throughout the country attempting to learn as much as possible about the depth of the changes in that society. Her assessment of the impact of the political transition is provocative and incisive. The PAC is contemplating joining the ANC led government in 1997 and she is thinking deeply about this probability and its impact on African politics in South Africa.

Ezekiel is from Liberia and during the period Samuel Doe was President, he was

president of the Liberian National Student Union. The students at the University rebelled against the Doe presidency and were jailed and brutally beaten. Pajibo was tried by a military tribunal and sentenced to execution. His sentence was commuted just hours before his execution. In a later arrest, he was detained for five months in Liberia's notorious Belle Yella prison. At one point he was held for six weeks in solitary confinement. Ezekiel Pajibo was an Amnesty International prisoner of conscience.

For those interested in African History, or recent politics, this program is a must see.

Medical Health Club News

by Angela Koulox

On February 28, 1997, the Medical Health Club had the pleasure of hearing from a former Worcester State College biology major-Imo Aisiku

Imo is a graduate of UMass Medical School here in Worcester. This presentation was very informing to those who are interested in their continued education to

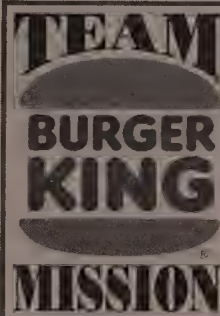
medical school. He spoke of the expectations in the preparations of entering medical school, what's involved throughout the time in medical school. Imo also had the opportunity to answer any questions that were a concern to undergraduate students of Worcester State.

Imo Aisiku is also a representative for the Student National Organization for Minorities.

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I speak to her in the dead of night
her name, on the tip on my tongue,
yet it escapes me
The New Moon closes its watchful eye
and the dark sky seems so endless
A warm and sultry breeze
dries the perspiration from my brow
I stand before the spirits of the sea
and I listen
The ebb and flow of the tide
coddles my yearning soul
The last dim hue of crimson fades
from the horizon
Dusk surrenders to the night
I can hear my heartbeat as it quickens
The cold salty water swirls gracefully
I believe that I was taunted
but now, I know that I am nurtured
The forces beyond the senses
possess insights that put the magic
into life
I am not shunned or forsaken
but rather,
I am embraced by the love
that never stops believing in me
I was reminded of a time yet to come
For years I had sought refuge
on the edge of nowhere
Now my eyes sparkle with the brilliance
of the light that empowers a mortal man
to accept himself for the enchanted and
unique person that he has always been
I am that person
My faith in all that is good
is renewed by the smile of a friend
Even in all of this darkness
I can see clearer than ever before
I celebrate the process at my leisure
for it has no day on the calendar
I wish upon the stars as this day ends
that I can lay my head down to rest
and have faith and hope
that the process will guide me
to where I am supposed to be...

Christopher M. Smith



I wallow deeply ,
gazing
on blond hair
and follow
the cream nape
of your
neck
lower,
approaching
soft footsteps
as elation
swells
thick
cotton
in my throat
and sigh--.
dreaming
you were
near
we could burst
through,
shattering stained
mirrors
of ourselves and mend
each broken
imperfection
of the other

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Spotlight On: Kate Negri

by Kristen Servant
Student Activities Intern

Spring is in full bloom! I'm sure there are flowers underneath the snow somewhere. Because the weather has been so unpleasant, indoor activities have had to replace frolicking in the sunshine. One of the most active organizations to keep you busy during this wet season, is the Student Events Committee. The Student Events Committee, (SEC), is well-known for their consistant quality of programming. This year's Chairperson is Kate Negri. Students can often find Ms. Negri buzzing around the Student Center promoting the most current SEC event. Ms. Negri explained that, "SEC seeks to provide entertaining and educa-

tional programs and events for all students so as to enrich their experience here at WSC. SEC also provides students with the opportunity to learn and use the skills involved in the field of student leadership and programming." SEC attracts a wide variety of people in their audiences as well as in their organization. SEC holds their meetings at 3pm on Tuesdays in M110 of the Student Center and new members are always welcome.

SEC has been involved in so many programs that they are too numerous to mention in their entirety. They have sponsored everything from Lisa Loeb to Frank Santos and from free movies to Broadway musical trips. Upcoming events include Spring Week; with a concert with Rustic Overtones

and Born Jamerican, A Paint Ball trip, "Live All Day", and many more fun things to keep you entertained! In the future, Ms. Negri wants to "see SEC grow in it's membership and be able to program events for all types of students that exist on this campus. I want people to recognize SEC as a group that puts on quality programs and events. I'd like to get input from more students."

Ms. Negri got involved in SEC, "the first week of my Freshman year after reading about the group in the Student Activities/ Student Center newsletter and participating in (Freshman) Orientation in 1994." Ms. Negri went on to say that she, "strongly encourages people to get involved with a Student Organization. It is a great way to meet

people, learn new skills, and learn about yourself. Take a risk! You don't need any experience in programming to join SEC. Join up!"

Ms. Negri would like students interested in becoming involved in Student Activities to "Come to the Mezzanine level, (of the Student Center), and leave a note in the box of any organization that you are interested in joining. Come to a meeting so you can get a feel for what that group does."

Want to become involved in one of the many Student Organizations? Come to the mezzanine level of the Student Center and visit the Student Activities/ Student Center office or call 793-8000, ext. 8073, for more information.

Kids Day

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play "Scrabble" in the Snack Bar area.

Bruno Costa, the Coordinator of Commuter Services felt that the day was a success. "I was very pleased with the work that everyone put into it, and I was thankful to

CAB," Bruno said. He went on to express gratitude to all the students who were not CAB members who helped as well. All-in-all, this was one of the best programs of this semester.



Above: Stephen Baird leads a parade, Left: Stephen Baird entertains some more kids



Muslim Student Organization

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representatives of other religions here on campus as well. The formal invitation was written by a man named Isaiah Evans and it reads as follows: "Dear Students,

Due to much concern expressed by members of the Worcester State College community as to the lack of facilities on campus for the Muslim students and faculty, to be able to properly practice their faith, a few members of the college community have agreed to get together and organize a Muslim Student Association (M.S.A.) in WSC. The purpose of this MSA will be to provide a place for Muslim men and women, where they can get to know each other better, and also to provide information to the WSC community about Islam.

If you are interested in participating in this

activity please join us on Friday, April 4, 1997 from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM in room C204. The MSA of WPI will be giving a short presentation on how to begin.

Thank You,

Isaiah Evans"

For further information you may contact Isaiah Evans at (508) 753-3990 or beep him at 800-482-4048 (pin # 1824719). These numbers are only to be used to get information about the Muslim Student Association.

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Fri. April 11 at Salem State	3:30 pm
Sat. April 12 at U/Mass Dartmouth	1 pm
Mon. April 14 at Curry	3:30 pm
Thurs. April 17	..... at Franklin Pierce	3:30 pm
Sat. April 19	..... at Nichols	1 pm
Tues. April 22	..... Assumption	3:30 pm
Thurs. April 24	..... Roger Williams	4 pm
Sat. April 26	..... at Suffolk	12 pm
Tues. April 29	..... Western New England	3:30 pm

Arts & Entertainment

Contemporary Arts Lecture Series Continues

By Valerie Beals
Voice Staff

This Thursday, April 3, at 7pm, the Arts Lecture Series continues with a unique look at the artist and curator. The guests of honor are artist Howard Johnson and curator Richard Klein.

The name Howard Johnson may be familiar to many as the orange-roofed restaurant/hotel chain popular in the United States. However, in this case, Mr. Johnson should be familiar as not only a Worcester-based artist, but also as a Worcester State College

alumnus. His work has been called "intensely personal, psychologically jarring, political, and, in some cases, violent." Mr. Johnson will be showing some of his actual works along with a slide presentation.

Richard Klein is the assistant director of the Aldrich Museum of Richfield, CT. He is a curator, critic, historian, and an artist in his own right. Tonight, however, he will be discussing what the "outsider artist" is perceived to be, and the role the artist plays in the art world today. The combination of artist and curator should provide an enter-

taining evening.

For more information on the lecture series, contact the Department of Visual and

Performing Arts at (508) 793-8000, ext. 8843.



Quilts Exhibit On Display at UMass Medical Center

Quilts, an exhibit of handmade quilts by central Massachusetts artisans, will be on display April 2 through April 30 in the lobby of the University of Massachusetts Medical School.

Included are more than 20 quilts made by Mary Walter and Gail Rowe of Southborough, Susan Cummings of Marlborough, and Jane Cole, formerly of Westford.

"I've always been an artist and fabric is my medium because I like its look and feel," said Walter. "I've always been interested in people of different cultures and different places. Quilting is a part of every culture and that is a hook for me. It is what it has always been; some fabric and your imagination."

Walter received the Worcester Art Museum's 1994 Kinnecut Award for her work. The award allowed her to travel to France and study quilt making.

A reception will be held from 5 to 7 p.m., Thursday, April 10 in the medical school lobby.

In addition to "Quilts," three unnamed exhibits will be on display throughout the Medical Center in April: paintings by Pat Bock of Gilbertville in Biotech II at 373 Plantation St.; woodcuts by Carol Santora of Worcester in the hospital's Surgical Specialties Clinic, and paintings by Carrie Crane of Westminster in the Benedict Building outpatient clinic area. All exhibits can be viewed from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays.

Wachusett Regional High Gets Greasy

Wachusett's Theater Arts Department will present the spring musical "Grease" in the high school auditorium April 10, 11, 12, and 13. This production is proudly sponsored by the Pepsi Cola Bottling Company of Worcester.

Directed by Doug Ingalls, produced by Melanie Donegan and choreographed by Christine Seger, this lively musical revisits the legendary Rydell High School's spirited class of '59 and brings to the Wachusett stage all those gum-chewing, hub cap-stealing, hot-rod-loving boys with D.A.'s and leather jackets and their wise-cracking girls in teased curls, bobbysocks and pedal pushers.

Thomas Nerbonne, Musical Director and Amy Hannah, Costumer of "Grease," capture the look and sound of the 50's. "Grease" features one of Broadway's most tuneful scores including such hilarious 50's parodies as "It's Raining On Prom Night," "Beauty School Dropout," and "All Alone at the Drive-In Movie."

You'll sing, you'll clap, you'll want to get up and dance with the kids as they belt out "Grease Lightning" and "Hand-Jive." So, don't miss a fun night of nostalgia and entertainment.

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Tickets can be purchased at Wachusett Regional High School, or call Amy Kathman, 829-6771, ext. 237.



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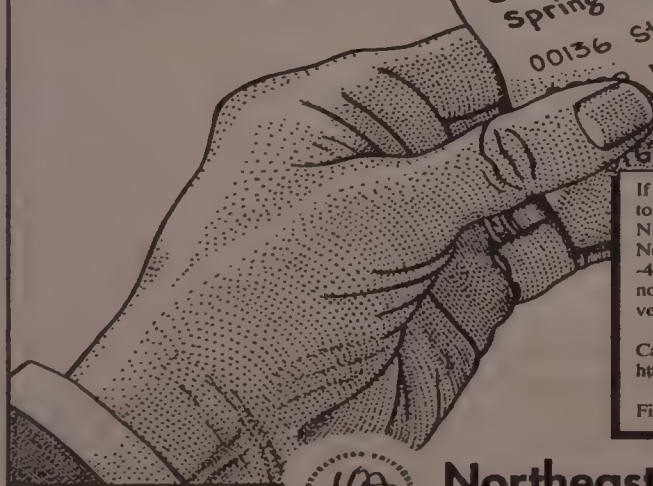
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The Juke Box

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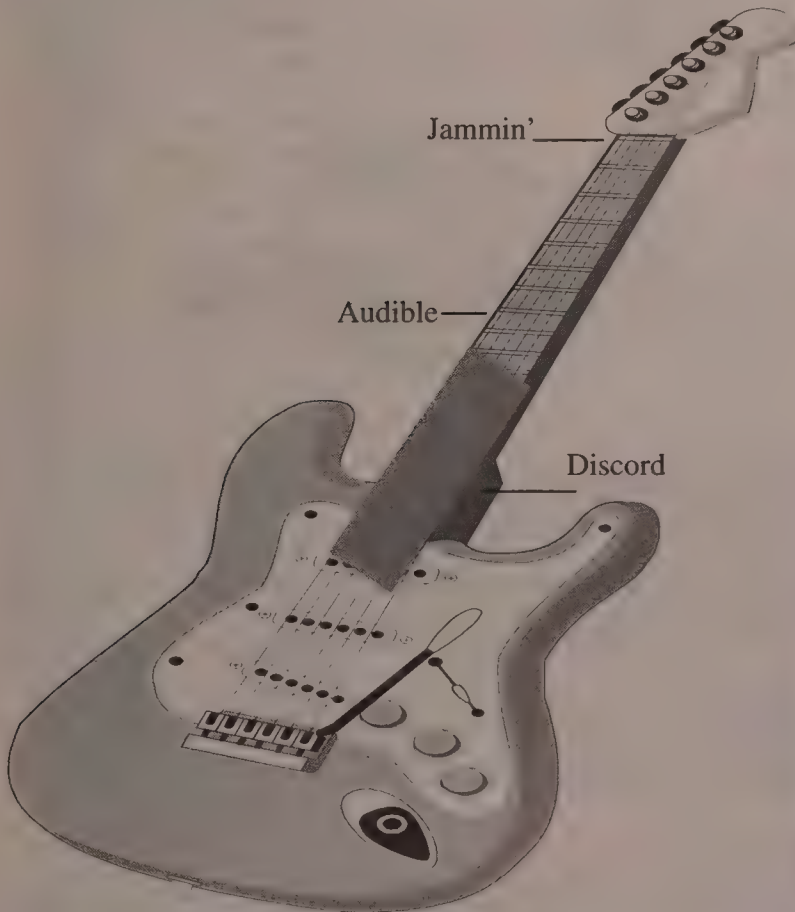
Metal Molly

Green Day meets The Presidents Of The U.S.A.

If your a fan of the Presidents' goofy lyrical style then you will appreciate Metal Molly's musical antics. Allen Muller's vocal talent is masked throughout the CD by slightly obnoxious guitar cords with the exception of "Silver" where his voice is showcased. As with most punk bands the music is kept simple however, there is a message present, and if you know what it is please tell us, c/o student voice @ 754-2313. Yawn, not much else to say, it just isn't good for much more than an occasional chuckle.

Produced by Staf Verbeeck.

Recorded by Silverstone Records.



Dining Out The College Way With Trish and Roula



This past Friday, we found ourselves at Elsa's Bushel'n Peck of 643 Chandler Street. Elsa's is two minutes away from campus and you can even get there and back in between classes. Tuesdays and Thursdays that is. We dare you.

Unfortunately, that isn't how long it took us to get there. Between getting our friends and my two younger brothers in the car, getting there was a trip in itself.

Patience is supposed to be a virtue ??? I hope they offer a class on the subject next semester. Not likely!!!

Trish and I were starving but the others had already eaten. So while they waited outside we ordered, took a look around, and we were out the door in under five minutes. The inside is like a deli with a section divided with tables for a sit down meal. On the walls black and white photographs.

Elsa's has just about any combination of cold cuts, cheese and condiments you can think of. And for those of you who prefer salads and lasagna, they have that too at an affordable price. The service is quick, efficient and very pleasant.

The menu is filled with delicious sandwiches each with a genuine name given by the owner. It could take you fifteen minutes to look over the menu and pinpoint what you desire. Just when you think this sandwich is what you want another one makes your mouth water. Everything is too good

to pass up.

Some of the sandwiches available are Road Runner (Chicken cut, Bk Ham, Heated, Am Chs, L-T-O, Mayo on a big bulkie), Superman (Ham, Turkey, Roast Beef, Provolone, AM Chs, Swiss Chs, Pkls, L-T-O, Must, Mayo on Italian), Blondie (Corned beef, Swiss Chs, Cole Slaw, Heated Triple Decker on Dark Rye), and Elsa's Choice (Turkey, Feta Cheese, Onion, with Peppercorn Dressing on Syrian, Heated). I settled for a Pita Pizza Pocket for \$3.29. This is a heated Mozzarella sandwich with Italian pizza sauce on Syrian bread. If you are watching your cholesterol ask for less cheese. The sandwich was light on the stomach yet very filling. I washed it down with a bottle of Sprite.

I ordered the tuya pocket melt with tomato sauce and onions for \$3.99 and an iced tea. Although, the sandwich was really messy, it tasted awesome. Then again, I can't possibly blame my inability to handle my pocket melt on the sandwich maker.

The total was only \$11.50. I can't stress the variety of food available. There is burgers, spinach pies, lasagna, pastas, salads, grinders, and your basic sandwiches. The food is as good as homemade and very close to campus. If you've never been there you have to go taste what you are missing.

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*Sometimes I feel things are
getting better for me.*

Sometimes I think they're worse.

*Some mornings I look in the mirror
and I think I look pretty good.*

*Other mornings I wonder which
disease will finally kill me.*

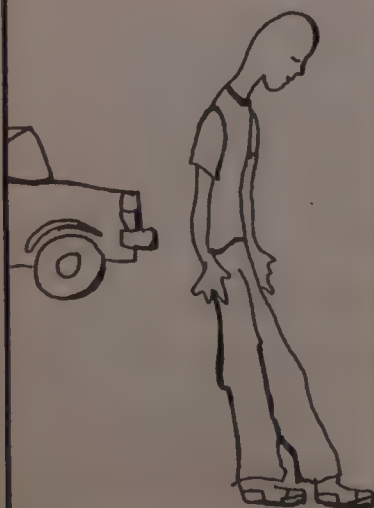
*Some days, when I'm walking
down the street I feel so light and
perfect.*

*Other days I only want to do small,
nearly invisible chores around my
house, and never go outside
again.*

*Other days I want to break out of
the darkness and take accordion
lessons.*

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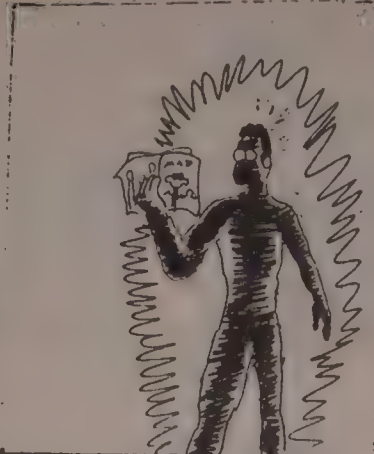
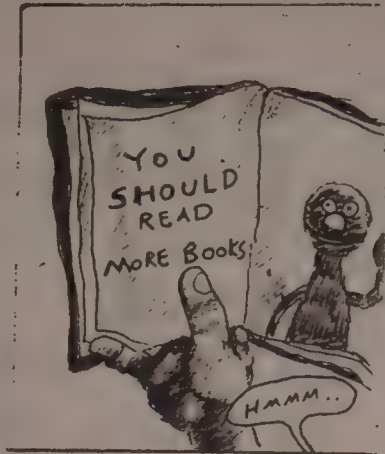
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Jack Dogg

by Claudio Salazar



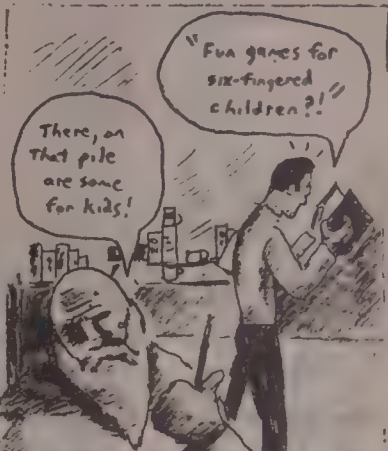
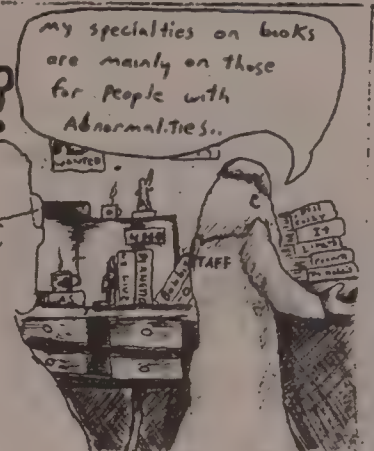
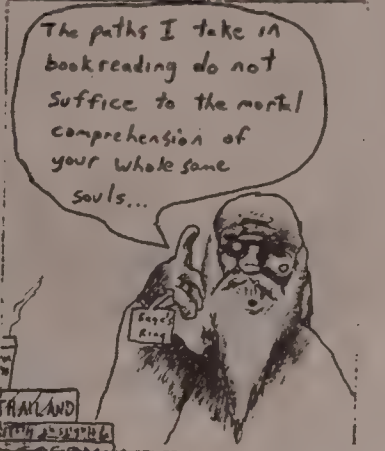
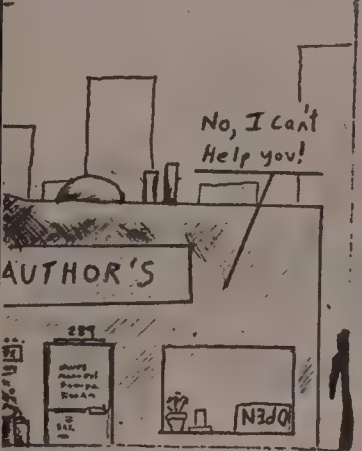
Jack Dogg's innate intuition one day leads him to pursue the Solace of Book reading...



Again, Jack Dogg's innate intuition one day leads him to pursue the Solace of Book reading...



..He goes to see his friend, the author, on some further acumen to his new found hobby.



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Thursday, April 24

Resident vs.

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Volleyball @ 2PM, Chandler Village Court
Softball/Cookout @4-7PM, Softball Field

Tuesday, April 22

Daytime Novelty Surprize

10-2, SC Exhibit Area

Talent Show with emcee Kathy Walker

7:30 PM, Blue Lounge \$100, \$75, \$50 prizes, Sign up at Activities Office

Friday April 25

Spring Semi-Formal Dinner Dance

Buffet dinner and dancing at Holden Hills. 6PM-10PM. \$25 per person. Shuttle bus available. Tix on sale at Info Desk until April 18 or until they sell out.

Wednesday, April 23

Spring Concert with Born Jamericana and Rustic Overtones



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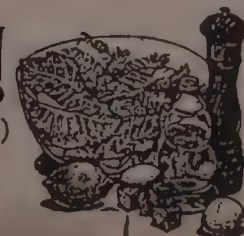
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WSCW 94.9 FM Benefit Concert Rocks WSC!!!

By Christopher M. Smith
Voice Staff

Members of the campus radio station WSCW 94.9 FM organized a Benefit Concert for Worcester State College and the larger community as well. On Thursday, April 3, 1997 from 7:00 PM to 11:00 PM three rockin' bands filled the Blue Lounge in the Student Center with their sounds. **Allison Engine** played first and they kicked off the evening with a bang! They were awesome! Both serious and humorous, these guys enchanted the audience with their music. Enthusiastic, loud and spirited are just a few words to describe these guys as they climb their way to the top. **Gypsy Groove** was up next. They hadn't formally jammed together since before Christmas. You'd never know it though. They cranked

out some great tunes that included songs from "Alice In Chains, Kiss, Poison" and some of their own original work as well. Some of the band expressed that they did "okay." This is a clear indication of the high standard of excellence that they have for themselves as musicians. They got people dancing and they seriously rocked! If that was an okay performance then what are they like when they are at the top of their game? Probably pretty outstanding. Finally, there was **Sauce** that continued to build upon the happening good vibes that the first two bands had helped to create. A little more hard-core and intense, the members of Sauce made this evening a hat trick to remember. Very talented and full of zest, Sauce brought it to the edge and back and rounded out the concert with a bang. A deliberate and de-

termined bunch, the members of Sauce know how to party and they know how to rock! All three of these bands made the WSCW 94.9 FM Benefit Concert a success!

As the evening rolled by quite a few people showed up and got into it. It was \$2.00 with a WSC ID and \$3.00 with any other ID. At the beginning of the show the attendance was really low, but then it picked up later. The show was advertised on the radio a lot and many, many flyers were distributed. Showing up for, supporting and participating in such great events like this is really cool! You can check the Student Voice, stop at the Info desk in the Student Center or call WSCW 94.9 FM at 793-8000 x. 8512 to find out when more great stuff is coming your way. Until then, eat all your vegetables, don't talk to strangers and make sure to...

PARTY PARTY! PARTY!! PARTY!!! PARTY!!!!



PHOTO BY DAVID SPENCER

**The Worcester State Crew Club washes cars to raise money, last Saturday.
For more on Crew Club see pp. 6 and 15**

Howard Johnson Comes to WSC!!!!

by Valerie Beals
Voice Staff

Now that I have your attention, PSYCH! No, I'm not talking about the orange roofed restaurant. I am speaking of the artist, better known as Howie Johnson. WSC alum. Mr. Johnson and Richard Klein were featured in the contemporary arts lecture series that continued last week.

The evening began with one of the long-series lectures I have ever listened to. Okay,

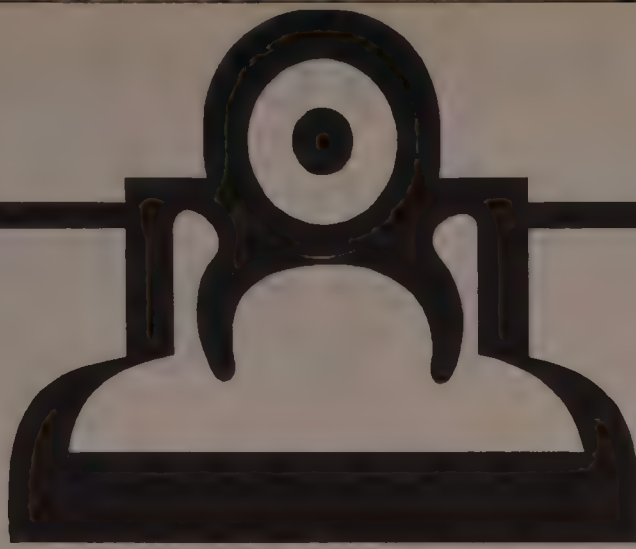
maybe it wasn't that long, it just seemed that way. Richard Klein, Assistant curator of the Aldrich Museum, began the evening with an elongated speech about outsider art. It was a very informative lecture, but it took up entirely too much time. Many of the full capacity crowd had to leave before Howard Johnson had the chance to present all of his works, not to mention the question and an-

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- WSC V&PA Theater production
- Women's Softball vs. Clark at 4pm
- Men's Baseball vs. Clark 4pm
- Golf at WPI at 1pm

Saturday, April 12

- Baseball vs. Salem State at noon
- Softball vs. Salem State at noon
- Career Expo at 8:30-1:30
- Operation Clean City at 9am

Sunday, April 13

- Open Campus

Monday, April 14

- Softball vs. Smith at 5pm

Tuesday, April 15

- City Tournament at WSC
- Anna Maria vs. Clark at 3pm
- WPI vs. WSC at 5pm
- Championship Game at 7pm
- Golf vs. MIT at 1pm

Wednesday, April 16

- Bay State Wheelers 9am-1pm
- SGA Elections

Thursday, April 17

- Baseball vs. UMass Boston at 3:30pm
- SGA Elections

Friday, April 18

- 24 hour Volleyball Marathon begins

Saturday April 19

- Softball vs. Westfield State at noon
- Baseball vs. Westfield State at noon

Monday, April 21

- Softball vs. Bridgewater State at noon
- Baseball vs. Bridgewater State at noon
- School Closed
- Patriots Day
- Passover begins at sunset
- SEC Paint Ball Trip 8:30am-3:30pm

Tuesday, April 22

- Softball vs. Rhode Island College at 5pm
- Men's Tennis vs. Assumption at 3:30pm

Wednesday April 23

- SEC Concert
- Campus Ministry Pasta Supper at 6pm
- Secretaries Day

Thursday, April 24

- All Organizational competitions begin at 1pm
- Campus Ambassadors Spaghetti Dinner at 5:30pm
- Men's Tennis vs. Roger Williams at 4pm
- Crew City Championships
- Golf-Worcester State Invitational



COMMENTARY

Draw Your Own Conclusions...

Shades of Green

by Simon Saiz

The fence was old and usual, yet very sturdy. It had been there for as long as I could remember and I never questioned its place or purpose. I pass this fence every now and then, not through unusual means of everyday life. Usually I just walk on by so as to not allow any snags in the very fabric of my being. But sometimes I peek through the spacing between the boards and allow the light of the other side to reflect upon me. I glance very discreetly, just prior to the degree of a stare, and I go about my way. But recently, the presence of that fence and what it withheld from me had started to hamper the process of a man such as myself. It started as a slight twitch in the back of my mind close to where I keep most of the secretive elements of myself, but recently had grown with intensity. This twitch was now a full-blown irritation, and a most visible one. I knew I had to remedy this pestilence, and I vowed to do it the next day.

That morning as I approached the fence I knew that no matter what the consequences would be, this dilemma in my life would certainly be through with. I put down my briefcase and knelt down at my usual spot, not caring about ruining the pants of my wool suit. I aligned my right eye with the ray of light shining through the slats and stared, unrelenting. I felt a revelation coming upon me and my whole conscious spasm with what I beheld. The grass! It was of an exotic green. The green I had only seen in fairy tales of rainbows and leprechauns. And the soil, so rich and brown it hurt my pupils to be at the mercy of such enrapturing beauty. I wanted to swim in it. Perhaps the breast stroke. Yes, that would do fine. The grass, oh the grass. I would cover my body with it, let its energy become one with mine. That's all I want. That's all I need. I'm a fairly easy guy to please. If I could just get there. Just place my feet on that grass. No, I would dive head-first. Yes, that would be my grand entrance. My mind was made up. I would scale that fence and no one could stop me.

I placed my left foot on that old white wooden fence and slowly pulled the rest of my body up. I was at the apex of the fence and before I knew it I had fallen face first into that gorgeous grass. When my whole body had completed its crash into this mirage of glory, I rose to my knees and took in all that I could as fast as my mind would allow. As I looked around I noticed my whole person sinking slowly, yet surely. The grass, as I now observed first hand was not as wonderful as I had first envisioned. It might even have been equal to the one I had left in my former world. The quality of the dirt was not too unlike its catalyst. Its color was of a dusty and dull brown, the texture was of low quality as well, loose and fragile, so fragile that it would not hold my weight. As I continued to sink, now waist deep, I was enveloped with a feeling of great pity and simplicity for myself. How easily I had been swayed, like an infant caught in the passion of a storm, oblivious and overwhelming. I longed to rid myself of this nightmarish situation, yet I began to realize that some losses are irretreivable. Desires introduced into action can never be retraced. I sank, as a pathetic pride, as well as the arising earth, choked my dying gasp of air, as I readied myself for the wizardry of the unknown.

The grass isn't always as green...

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That's why our government has to borrow so much money all the time. And who does our government borrow money from? That same FRB, Inc. of course. Where does the FRB, Inc. get so much money to lend to the government? Well, our crooked politicians made a deal with the FRB, Inc. to have the U.S. Government print up the money, GIVE it to the FRB, Inc., and then borrow it back, including paying interest on it. Why would the politicians do such a traitorous and stupid thing? Because they are rewarded with money and a supportive PRESS at election time.

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If any one knows of an honest lawyer with guts enough to file a lawsuit against the IRS, Inc. for me, please let me know.

Sincerely,

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CAMPUS AND WORLD NEWS

ALLIANCE FOR EDUCATION OFFERS EXCELLENCE THIS SPRING

The Alliance for Education's Professional Development Institute, a non-profit organization committed to enhancing the quality of education and professional development in Massachusetts, recently announced their plan to host a series of educational and professional development conferences throughout Central Massachusetts this spring.

Co-presented by the PDI and Historic Massachusetts, Inc., "Teaching with Primary Sources" is sponsored by the Millbury Federal Credit Union and the Blackstone River Valley National Heritage Corridor Commission, and will take place from 8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m. on **Monday, April 14, 1997**, at Pleasant Valley Country Club in Sutton. This Conference will provide a useful understanding of how historic materials make learning about history exciting, intriguing, and compelling, and will demonstrate how to

most effectively utilize primary historic resources to teach concepts in history and social studies. A \$50 fee includes morning coffee, lunch, and a conference packet.

The math & science conference is entitled, "A Preservice Conversation: How Can Schools of Science, Mathematics and Education Work Together to Prepare Teachers for the Next Century?" This Conversation will feature many nationally-recognized experts in mathematics and science, and will serve to enlighten the audience with a series of workshops, a panel discussion, an update from the Massachusetts Department of Education, and an afternoon conversation. The event will be held from 8:00

a.m. to 2:45 p.m. on **Friday, April 18, 1997**, at the Radisson Inn, Marlborough, and will also feature lunch and a keynote speaker. Registration is \$5, or \$15 for groups of three or more registering from the same institution.

On **Thursday, May 1, 1997**, "Partnerships in the Arts" will take place at the Sturbridge Host Hotel from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Sponsored in part by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, this conference is comprised of a series of workshops which focus on effectively teaching the Arts in conjunction with topics such as Interdisciplinary Learning, Social Studies, Collaborative School Renewal and Technology, to name a few. Lunch will be served, and the fee for this event is \$65.

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would want to talk to me.....
which would make me even more
nervous.*

*So I would sit by myself
terrified that I looked lonely and
uninteresting.*

*But after a while a friend
came over and sat with me.
Whew, relieved! I reminded him
that I owed him some money and
that I would pay him a dollar
right now.*

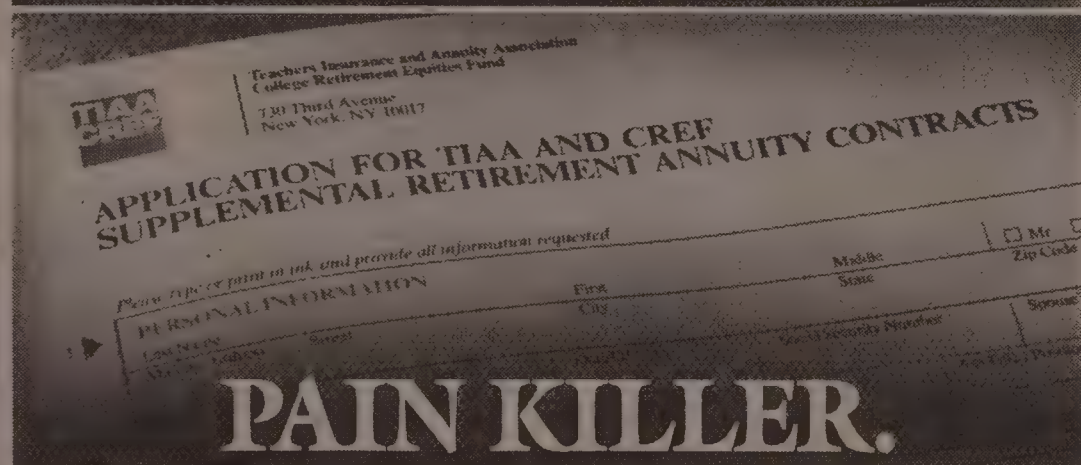
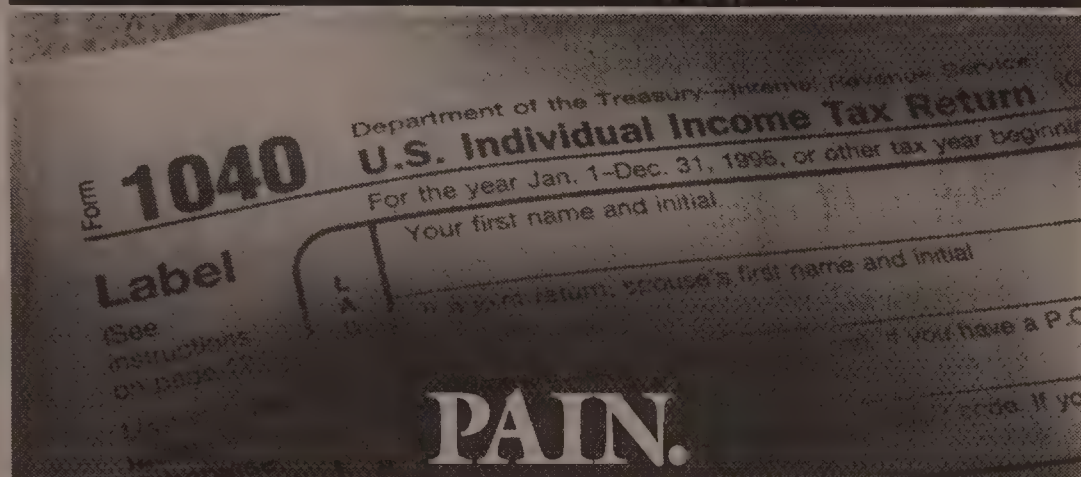
*Pretty soon a girl came
over to talk to him. Then a girl
came over to talk to the first girl.
After a while I was surrounded by
people.*

*I started to feel anxious
and slipped over to a quiet dark
corner where no one would
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CAMPUS AND WORLD NEWS

Students and Host Families Sought For Student Exchange Program

The American International Youth Student Exchange Program is a non-profit high school foreign exchange program in the United States, Europe and other parts of the world. AIYSEP believes a greater international understanding is accomplished among people and countries through cultural and home-stay programs. It offers qualified students a chance to spend a summer, semester or school year with a host family in America or abroad.

At present, American host families are being sought for 25 students from high schools in Europe and other foreign countries for the coming school year. Students will arrive in the United States in late August, attend the local school and return home in late June the next year. The students, all fluent in English, have been screened by

their school counselors in their home country and will receive medical insurance and spending money.

American families with small children are welcome to participate in the program. All families hosting a student for the year can deduct \$50 a month for income tax purposes.

AIYSEP is also seeking American high school students, ages 15-19, who would like to spend a high school semester or year with a European family or to participate in a 4-6 week family stay abroad in the summer. Students are screened by AIYSEP school counselors and educators in local schools. Candidates who have evidence of maturity, superior character, and knowledge of English and a foreign language can be finalists and

become AIYSEP students.

Interested students and families are asked to please contact the AIYSEP International

Headquarters: Office of the Director, 200 Round Hill Road, Tiburon CA 94920; 1-800-347-7575

ALLIANCE FOR EDUCATION TO HONOR SECRETARIES

The Alliance for Education's Professional Development Institute is very pleased to present the hilarious Loretta LaRoche for a luncheon at the Holiday Inn on Lincoln Street in Worcester, Tuesday, April 29, 1997.

Loretta's performance focuses on laughter therapy and stress management, and provides the opportunity for secretaries to laugh away stress while enjoying a pleasant luncheon. Employers everywhere are encouraged to treat their secretaries to this rare occasion.

"If you've ever seen her on television or in-person, you'll agree that Loretta is a very humorous speaker and uses her talent very effectively to help people reduce their stress level in the workplace," commented Paul Reville, Executive Director of the Alliance for Education.

"There is no quicker therapy for stress than to laugh it away. Loretta provides a comical look at the trials and tribulations of everyday life, teaching audiences how to take a more humorous look at themselves and the world around them. She's an amazing talent," said Louise Clarke, director of the Professional Development Institute.

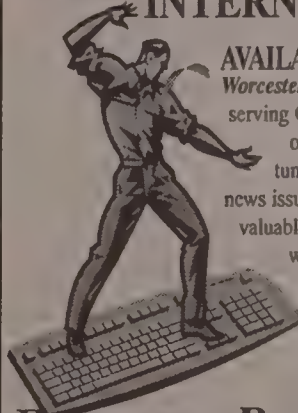
On April 29th, show your secretaries how much you appreciate their hard work during the year by treating them to a lovely luncheon with their fellow secretaries. Then, laugh the afternoon away with Loretta's delightful comedy. Your secretary will thank you for this delightful break from the normal routine.

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Spotlight On: Jeff Alex

by Kristen Servant
Voice Staff

Finally, the sunshine we have all been waiting for! Getting this taste of days to come draws everyone to think of the magic of summertime. Swimming, biking, and tanning are all within our reach. What better way to glide into summer than on riverbank watching the WSC Crew team? The current President of the Crew team is Jeffrey Alex. Mr. Alex is an enthusiastic, committed member and had this to say about the team, "WSC Crew allows the WSC community to become involved in the exciting and challenging world of collegiate rowing. Even though we are a small club, we race against a large variety of schools: Temple, BU, Florida State, Middlebury, Princeton, Dartmouth, URI, and UCONN, just to name a few."

Being a member of the crew team is physically challenging, while providing the opportunity for the true meaning of teamwork to be felt by all members. "WSC Crew is 25 years old this year. I would like to see a sustained interest in the program. The team has had more than thirty members and as few as eight throughout its history. Currently we are thirteen strong and I would like to see that number rise," Mr. Alex explained. The team always accepts new members, and meets every other Wednesday at 7pm in SC202 (the next meeting is April 23rd). The tentative sprint schedule is as follows:

April 12th at Home, vs. Quinsig

April 20th

April 24th at Home, City Championships

April 27th at Lowell

May 3rd at Home, N.E. Championships

May 9-10 at Philadelphia, National Championships

The Crew team has done countless fundraisers, and everyone is urged to support their efforts. "Our primary event focus is our racing schedule. Spring is sprint season (2000 meters)," Mr. Alex stated.

Mr. Alex got involved in the Crew team in his Freshman year by signing up at the

Student Activities Fair. The Student Activities Fair is an annual occurrence where student organization representatives are available for information and recruitment purposes. Mr. Alex encourages students to "look into the organization and stay committed. You will find it rewarding."

In closing, Mr. Alex said, "People always ask, 'How can you get up so early to row?' Once you get into it you cannot imagine not getting up to row. Rowing allows you to practice and compete indoors or out - on land or water. Rowing exercises all your major muscle groups; rowing provides aerobic conditioning as well as strength conditioning. I cannot think of another sport that epitomizes teamwork better than rowing. Boats comprised of four or eight men and/or women train to move as one. There is nothing like the feeling one gets when this synchronicity is reached and your boat is powering through the finish line."

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Jeff Alex

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Your Special



SGA



Election Pullout Section

SGA ELECTIONS PROVIDE OPPORTUNITY FOR CHOICE

By Christopher M. Smith
Voice Staff

The SGA Elections will be held on Wednesday and Thursday, April 16 and 17, 1997. As in many other elections of WSC past, there are several candidates who will go uncontested. This is a phenomenon that may suggest any number of things. There may be a consensus that the people running are the ones everyone wants to hold that office and so no one chooses to run against them. Or, there could be a growing disinterest and apathy among the student body that has plagued WSC where the voting process for SGA elections are concerned. The current representatives have demonstrated great leadership skills and have proven quite competent and enthusiastic in their positions to effect positive change on the campus. So, it remains a mystery as to why the vast majority of the student body doesn't get into it. Hopefully, the newly elected officials will be able to continue the same legacy of interest, commitment and prestige that their predecessors have brought to the SGA.

WSC is primarily a commuter college and most of the students don't really seem to know or care about these elections. However, many people do! These people should be commended because the SGA has a hand in many of the things that go on here at WSC for the students. They are the center of the wheel as far as organizations go on this campus.

There is really only one actual race

this time around and that is for the big chair...SGA President. The two candidates are Christie Cruz and David Spencer. I interviewed both of these candidates for a concise testimony on



some of their ideas about their standing on the SGA Presidency. Here is how it went...

Student Voice: "What changes would you like to bring to Student Government if you are elected as SGA President?"

Dave Spencer: "I would leave the things that are already established that work well in place. I would like to get the organizations on campus to work

more closely together than they currently are. I would like to encourage members of the student body to participate in organizations on campus and even join more than one if they can so

that they can contribute as much as possible to the WSC community. I would like to increase the level of programming here on campus and help to provide more diversity in the activities as well."

Christie Cruz: "I would like to change things for the students. The students are my number one priority. I would address complaints such as road re-

pairs, food service and entertainment just to name a few. I would like to try and get the organizations on campus to be less separated. I would like to have bimonthly meetings to help the organizations to become one yet still remain diverse."

Student Voice: "What kind of specific action would you take to implement these and other changes?"

Dave Spencer: "I would like to be able to put together a plan and bring my ideas before the Senate and work together with them to make the changes. I will use whatever resources I have to help this process to proceed. Theoretically, it is my understanding that the SGA President speaks on behalf of the student body. I would accept that responsibility and use my voice to bring important issues to light to the Senate that they may or may not know about. I would work with the Senate to bring about better programming and other things as they arise."

Christie Cruz: "My philosophy is that one person cannot do everything by themselves. We need a group to be able to get things done and get them done well. This will make for a stronger impression on whatever action is needed. We would do it in a positive manner to help so that we can fix the problem together."

Student Voice: "Why should the student body elect you as SGA President?"

Dave Spencer: "I have one semester of experience as the Secretary of a spe-

cial interest group called "The Guild." I was Poetry and A&E Editor for the Student Voice for one semester. I have been the Editor-in-Chief of the Student Voice for almost one year. I can handle the bureaucracy and I have a moderate management style that I feel works very well. I want to demonstrate balance in my leadership and I stand up for principles that I believe in. These include more careful spending practices and better programming for the students. I believe that the students should be the direct beneficiaries, not just the people directly involved."

Christie Cruz: "I have the leadership qualities. I know how to get things done. I find something to stand for and I stand for it one-hundred percent. I deal with the faculty, staff and the students very well. I have been the General Manager of WSTS TV-11 for one semester. I have been Vice President of RHPC (Resident Housing Program Council) for one year. I have been a DJ at WSCW 94.9 FM for one semester. I have been involved with the SEC (Student Events Committee) for one year. I have also been working for Alan Jackson in Audio Visual Operations for three semesters."

Student Voice: "What would you like to say to the voters?"

Dave Spencer: "The SGA President is there to make difficult choices. I would like to do what is best for the student body as a whole even if I have to make sacrifices and put myself sec-

ond to do the right thing."

Christie Cruz: Being SGA President means to me not always making everyone happy, but doing the best job possible and putting in one-hundred ten percent."

There is potential for another race in



the Senator's seat of the class of 2000. There are four probationers right now and there are four positions available. A write-in could influence the outcome, but this holds true for the other positions as well, it is just that this one is full now. The four candidates are Lisa Della Cioppa, Jennifer Lavalley, Holly

Spencer and Jaclynn Martell. There are currently three candidates for four positions as Resident Senator. They are Keith Fay, Jessica Hamer and Erin Lewinski. Jennifer Minko is requesting the Presidency of the class of 2000, and Brandon Frencic is going for Presi-

pirant for 1998 Secretary is Amy Gomes, and the nominee for Vice President of the class of 1998 is Erin Redfern. Jennifer Hebert is seeking a seat as Vice President of the class of 1999 and Wendy Witt is the applicant for Senator, class of 1999. The Commuter Senator position is being sought by David Jarzowski and Chrissy Re-main is running for the position of Vice President of the class of 2000.

It is very important that as many people vote as possible in the election even though there is not a lot of competition this time. The right to be able to choose people who will represent the best interest of the students is something not to be dismissed. The process of voting is in many ways just as important, if not more, than the outcome of any given election. These candidates may be very well indeed be suited for their positions. However, if very few people vote in this election and down the road they make decisions that people do not like, then the responsibility is ultimately ours not theirs because we put them there. Find out how these candidates stand on the issues that are important to you so that you can make an educated decision when it is time to vote. Voting will take place on Wednesday in the first floor intersection of the Sullivan Building central area. On Thursday, voting will also take place in the first floor of the Student Center. Be sure to vote, because your vote counts!

Pop on over and VOTE!!!

Election Tables will be set up at the Sullivan "T" on Wednesday, April 16, and across from the SC Info Desk on Thursday, April 17. Free popcorn with your vote!

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Spencer, David

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Flynn, Natalie

1998 Class VP

Redfern, Erin

1998 Class Secretary

Gomes, Amy

1998 Class Treasurer

Barnicle Katy

1999 Class President

Frencic, Brandon

1999 Class VP

Hebert, Jennifer

1999 Class Secretary

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Minko, Jennifer

2000 Class VP

Remian, Chrissy

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Senate-1998

Marcucci, David
Maynard, Christy

Senate-1999

Witt, Wendy

Senate-2000

Dellacioppa, Lisa
Lavallee, Jennifer
Spencer, Holly
Martell, Jaclynne

Senate-Commuter

Jarzobski, David

Senate-Resident

Fay, Keith
Hamer, Jessica
Lewinski, Erin

It's still not too late to
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Arts & Entertainment

Worcester Forum Theatre Hits "Below The Belt"

by Jeffray and Alf.

On Sunday April 6th, we attended a performance of the play, "Below The Belt", written by Richard Dresser and directed by Dan Welch. This satirical drama focuses on the interaction between three characters, Hanrahan (Joseph Hindi), Dobbitt (Eric Evenson) and Merkin (Gustave Johnson) who work together at an industrial compound in a distant land. Hanrahan is an overworked, hot tempered S.O.B. who hates his life and the people around him. He and Merkin have been working together for some years now and neither really likes the other. Dobbitt, a young overachieving business man, gets a job as a "Checker". He is to be working at the compound under the supervision of Merkin and in direct contact with Hanrahan whose temperament was responsible for the departure of the previous "Checker". Dobbitt and his new roommate are your classic case of the "Odd Couple". Their views are completely different and the only thing they agree on is that they don't

agree on anything. As for Merkin, he plays them off each other in order to always be an ally to either one or the other. This, in turn, keeps them from pairing up against him.

The characters are complete strangers to the saying "All for one and one for all". It should have been revised to "All for one and everyone for himself", for each character pairs up with the other at some point throughout the play against the third. Allies become enemies and enemies become allies. The twisted logic they use against each other to prove their point, deceive each other and ultimately climb the corporate ladder, makes this play hysterically funny. Ironically, the play ends as it began ... Well...Almost!!! If you'd like to find out what we mean, we suggest you go see it.

We, personally, enjoyed the play very much and strongly recommend it to anyone whose not afraid of a little culture and ridicule at the expense of the business world.

"Below The Belt" will be playing April 3rd through the 27th at the Worcester Fo-

rum theatre, 6 Chatham Street. Tickets are between \$15 and \$18. To order call (508) 799-9166. Don't forget to ask for your student discount.

Photo by Kristine E. Johnson
Gus Johnson (Merkin) and Joe Hindi (Hanrahan) in "Below The Belt".



Comedienne Kathy Walker will emcee the SEC Talent Show during Spring Week on Tuesday, April 22 at 7:30pm. Ms. Walker has won the Mary Jo Comedy Award and the Duplex Stars of Tomorrow Contest.

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The Juke Box

By Emerson, Jeffray.

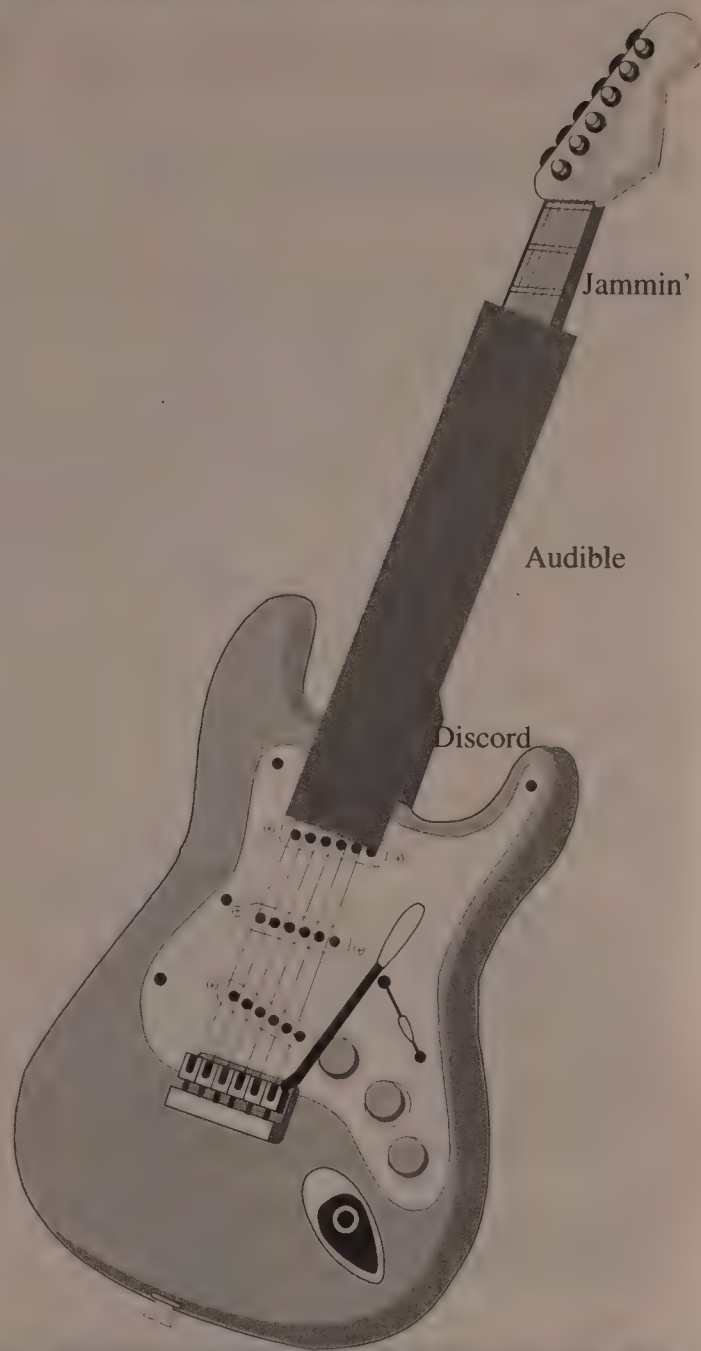
Outhouse

Sound Garden meets Counting Crows

Outhouse is much softer than Sound Garden but match them in quality of music as well as lyrics. Counting Crows is a more accurate comparison. Although, they are not entirely original as far as their style of music is concerned, they play it very well which does not give the listeners that "Copy Cat" feeling. The band is very lively and plays enthusiastically which makes them easy to appreciate. Even though the band is only composed of three members, they have a extensive sound as opposed to the many hollow bands we've reviewed. Of the numerous up and coming bands, this is one that gets our full recommendation, so check them out if you can, you won't be disappointed.

Write to them at: Outhouse P.O. Box 10035 KC., Mo.64171.

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Howard Johnson at WSC

Continued From pg. 1

swer session. (Myself included)

I did have the chance to hear the first thirty minutes or so of Howie's presentation. To say that he was boring would be a boldfaced lie. Boring is one word no one can use in describing Howie Johnson. His artwork is visually jarring to say the least. Most everything he showed Thursday had the same underlying sexual theme. Breasts seem to be a very common factor in his all of his drawings, along with other female sexual organs. I was actually quite repulsed by most of the drawings, and yet, I found myself staring at them with the curiosity only found at the scene of fatal accidents.

The whole evening was underscored by a benefit concert being held in the next room. It seemed almost a fortuitous twist of fate to have the Worcester band Alice Engine playing while Howie Johnson was speaking. For those of you who were in attendance, I am sure you know exactly what I am talking about. For those of you who weren't, well, let's just say that Mr. Johnson is an artist that doesn't play by the rules. When I had to leave, I almost felt that the artist was going to turn and yell obscenities at me for leaving. It may be an odd thing to say, but, well, you had to be there to see the artist clothed in a Faster Pussycat tee shirt present this artwork with a nonchalance this student is just not used to seeing.

For those of you interested in seeing what all the hype is about, you have two more chances. On April 17 at 7pm in the North/South auditorium, Boston based artist Paul Laffoley will lecture and present some of his artwork. If the other two lectures are any indication, you won't want to miss Mr.

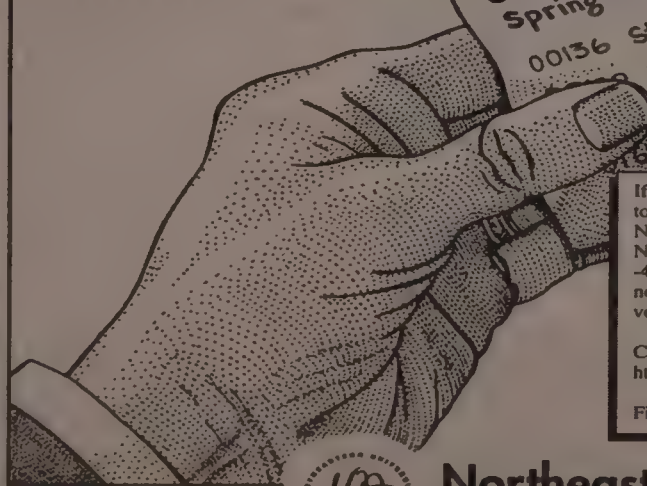
Laffoley's presentation.

Also, On Thursday, April 24, The Top Rock Crew will perform on the first floor of the student center at 10:30am. I highly recommend this performance to everyone, even if you are not an art lover. This is a group of young adults from Worcester that will be presenting a large multi-panel painting created specifically for the college.

For more information about the lecture series, contact the Visual and Performing Arts Department at (508)793-8000, ext. 8843.

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Arts & Entertainment

Dining Out the College Way with *Trish*, Roula and Guest



Well... Ever been to the Ground Round on Route 9? If you have, we're sorry, if you haven't, we don't recommend it. Roula and I have never really said anything bad about a restaurant but things are about to change as we describe our enlightening lunch at the Ground Round.

First, we'll tell you about the good stuff. The atmosphere is quite nice, the music is agreeable and the cartoons playing during your meal are awesome. Roula also thought the Merry Go Round horses were an original touch. BUT... Our waitress was old, deaf and scared the crap out of me like my grandma used to do when I screwed up.

I totally agree with Trish, the atmosphere was nice, the waitress was old, deaf, and like Trish she scared me but only because she was handling the very food that would soon enter my body.

We attempted to order our meal but our waitress decided that we were only ready

for our drinks at the moment and that we may want to rethink our food order for some unknown reason. So, I ordered a cup of Joe, Roula had a coke ...big surprise... and our guest had a Sweet Adeline made of Chambord, Baileys, ice cream and apparently a lemon seed for a finishing touch??? While Trish went to the ladies room the waitress brought over our drinks. She asked me if I had the coke when I replied yes she placed my coke across the table in Trish's spot and the coffee in front of me. Now of course I didn't want to be rude so when she left I quickly fixed the problem in the hopes that WHEN she returned with our guest's drink she would take notice. Yeah, right, who am I kidding?

As an appetizer, we ordered the Triple Chips, chips with cheddar, gorgonzola and pepper jack for \$2.95. It arrived but the cheese wasn't quite melted and we had to

wait 15 minutes until she arrived with the second course in order to have her melt the cheese so that we could actually eat it. By the time she brought the Triple Chip back, we were almost done with our entrees. At any rate, I asked for the Turkey and Broccoli Melt, topped with red onions on grilled sourdough bread served with potato chips, for \$3.95. The sandwich was a little dry but once you got to the middle of it, it was okay. Our guest ordered a 1/2 Lb. cheeseburger served with bacon and fries for \$5.95. He asked that it be cooked medium but it seems that like Cactus Pete, global warming is a problem at the Ground Round. Roula had to tackle the waitress to get our guest a glass of water while he was choking on the dry burger. I couldn't get another cup of coffee until I had paid my bill because you see, that's the fine print at the bottom of the menu under "Bottomless

Cup".

I enjoyed a 1/2 Caesar Salad with Chicken Breast for \$3.95. I have never had just a salad for lunch but I did because I was under the impression that it was a sandwich. The chicken was quite good and tender. The salad was fresh and crispy. I recommend it if you are into salads but it's not for me because if I have salad for lunch it's usually as a side dish since it isn't very filling. The waitress kept us very entertained as she chose not to write our orders down and relied on her hearing and memory. Needless to say she should invest in miracle ear. I hear Whisper 2000 is on sale now. As for the memory part I wouldn't want her on my team in a game of Memory. She asked Trish twice what she had ordered.

One rule to remember if you go there for lunch: If you need something, YELL! You're most likely to get what you want that way.

Worcester State College

Student Events Committee, in conjunction with History/Political Science Department & The Office of Diversity
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Poetry Page

Never Mind...Never Mind...

Gray clouds loom over aged brick buildings
 Damp pavement littered with debris
 Chilled air with a scent of decay
 Passing sirens crack the silence briefly
 Stone faces and shuttered eyes
 Almost robotic and most disdainful
 Perhaps apathetic, or maybe just plain absent
 Empty shadows full of fear and reluctance
 Guarded and trained, desensitized to engagement
 Anonymity, a state of anomie, in the city
 Individualized, materialized and alienated
 A large metal creature draws closer
 Grinding to a halt, it bellows out a hush
 Two large jaws on the side of it's face open wide
 Several somber and listless figures file out
 Even more scurry into the mouth hastily
 Dropping little pieces of metal they proceed
 A transparent body allows for a viewing of
 those to be digested at a later time
 They calmly sit and await their deaths
 The jaws close with a snap and the beast
 crawls away leaving toxic exhaust behind
 Beggars, rogues, lunatics and wanna-be soul
 savers
 patrol their domain like soldiers
 People in passing cars stare with selfish pity
 Just another morning at the bus stop

Christopher M. Smith

Overload

I'm losing my mind
 I've been through the grind.
 The work stacks up,
 As I run to and fro
 Until I feel real low.

I'm really in a bind.
 Extra time I must find.
 Im really stressed out.
 I could fall on my face.
 I feel like a disgrace.

I bit off more than I can chew.
 Now I just dont know what to do.
 I'd like to crawl under a rug,
 Or maybe pull out my hair!
 It's more than I can bare.

I need some sleep
 Or soon I will weep.
 I'm going to fall off my chair!
 You won't hear a single peep.
 As I sleep in a wrenched heap.

Cathy Sue Lee

HERITAGE

YOU TWO
 WILL SOMEDAY SEE
 THE HATE & DESTRUCTION
 YOU'VE INSTILLED IN ME
 DROP BY DROP...
 AS THE CLOCK DRIVES ON
 MY BODY
 OLDER
 MY HEART
 COLDER
 YOU TWO
 WILL SOMEDAY LEARN
 BY THE POWER OF YOUR OWN
 HANDS
 YOUR TURN
 IT WILL BE
 SOMEDAY SOON
 YOU TWO SHALL SEE..
 ALL YOUR FAULT
 NOT ME
 DADDY'S LITTLE GIRL

Sexier Than Thou

Now or never, I must state:
 the expansive parfum du
 superiorite you wear
 reeks of decay
 and
 conceit-
 maybe that's the way we are,
 if we stand in line
 if we stand in place
 and not disturb our
 state of grace-
 what's a little competition
 among our fellow humanity,
 anyway?
 ...It's easy then to carve out of
 maps
 (with bloodliness for sovereign
 state)
 (gender rites & gender wrongs &
 gender rocks& gender roles for
 coldhardcash-for currency)

Richard A. Boucher, Jr.

Never Again

t.v. illusions
 sneak inside my orange spirit
 with the loudest silence
 all day long
 gradually sending me to
 test-pattern
 insanity:
 Lord ; I do my best to
 swiftly murder that babbling sweet
 mommy
 in the cathode-ray-tube
 as she
 blondly accepts
 the cleaning duties...

Valerie Rainwall

Sports

Worcester State Crew Kicks Butt and Takes Names at Charles River

by The Living God
Voice Staff

On Sunday, April 6, the Worcester State College Crew Club set out upon a great adventure, to find the answer to life, the universe, and everything (or at least to compete in a competition against some other Crew clubs).

Arriving in Boston, MA on a cold, overcast day, in a rented "U-Haul," the men and women of the Crew Club made their way to the Charles River.

The Men's Lightweight 4 rowed against Assumption, Brandeis (who hosted the competition) and Amherst. Amherst scratched

(their equipment was there, but, mysteriously, no team members could be found). The team went out to an early lead and eventually crushed their competition outright, winning by two boat lengths.

The Women's team, was a much closer race, placing third against a field of five

boats.

The Worcester State College Crew Club will be racing again this Saturday at Lake Quinsigamund. Their competition will include boats from Assumption, Bates, Brandeis Clark, and St. Anselm's. Why not get out and cheer on your home team?

Jack Dagg

Yes, Books For
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children



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McDowell

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last week alone...

Tudy and the
6 Fingered Instrument



Then there was another
one on that league
for kids also...

by Claudio Salazar

Ab and His
Perovascoconstriction
Problem



by A.G. Haglathi

Then there was that
beloved "Blue Ribbon" best
seller...

Susie and
THE LITTLE
FLANNEL

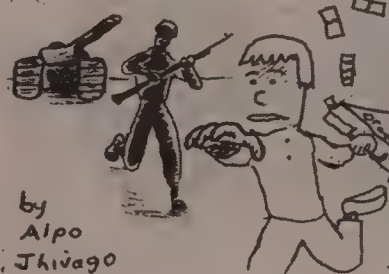


by
ATLEE
Homemaker

Susie and the Little
Flannel was that beloved
story of that little girl that one
the hearts of millions, as she braved
her way through the sewers of New York.

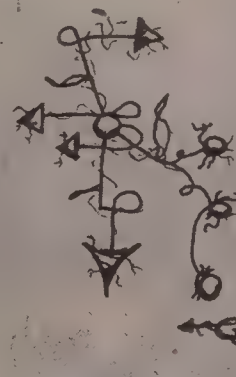
Some books of
Not that were not
too popular with
children and parents
alike are as
follows:

RICKY
and his
Bocaine Problem
in Afghanistan



by
Alpo
Jhivago

THEY ARE
COMING



by
Robert
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And this one shocked millions
into mass panic in Norway's days
after the debut of its publication,
where it was accidentally placed in
the non-fiction section of bookstores
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Spring Week is brought to you by the Student Events Committee

SPRINGTOPIA!!

New members are always welcome!

Monday, April 21

Patriot's Day No classes!!!!!!



Friendly Fire Paint Ball Trip



\$20 per person, includes ammo, admission and lunch, WSC student and guest. Tix available at Info Desk. Bus leaves 8 AM near Student Center, returns approximately @ 4:30 PM

Thursday, April 24

Resident vs.

Commuter Volleyball and WSCW DJ Softball Challenge with Cookout



**Volleyball @ 2PM, Chandler Village Court
Softball/Cookout @4-7PM, Softball Field**



Tuesday, April 22

Daytime Novelty Surprize

10-2, SC Exhibit Area

Talent Show with emcee Kathy Walker

7:30 PM, Blue Lounge \$100, \$75, \$50 prizes, Sign up at Activities Office



Friday April 25

Spring Semi-Formal Dinner Dance

Buffet dinner and dancing at Holden Hills. 6PM-10PM. \$25 per person. Shuttle bus available. Tix on sale at Info Desk until April 18 or until they sell out.



Wednesday, April 23

Spring Concert with Born Jamericana and Rustic Overtones



Reggae/ska/rock show with two up and coming hot bands Tix are \$5 with WSC ID/ \$7 for guests/other with college ID at Info Desk. Sullivan Aud. 7:30 PM

Saturday, April 26

19th Annual Live All Day

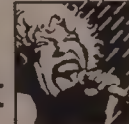
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African Peace Tour Delayed!

by David Spencer and Claudio Salazar
Voice Staff

The African Peace Tour, which was sponsored by the Diversity Office, History Department, and Student Events Committee, began late last Friday. The delay occurred as a result of an error on the groups' itinerary.

Several professors from the History department tried to lecture the audience when it became apparent that the Tour would be late. Professors Bell and Cohen spoke about colonization in Africa as well as current conditions on the African Continent.

Speakers were on hand from the African countries of Zaire, South Africa, Mali, and Liberia.

The speaker from Zaire, Tshiela Benda, talked about the problems of Zaire, and of President M'Butu, current leader of the government of Zaire. Many problems, she claimed, were as a direct result of his "leadership."

The speaker from South Africa, Nozipo Glenn, spoke of the changes that have occurred in South Africa within the nineties. Liberation movements were unbanned, Nelson Mandela was released, negotiating began, and Mandela was elected to the presidency with DeKlerk as his VP. She also spoke of the inequality of white children with other children in the amounts spent on their education. She gave the following statistic: on average \$916 per white child, \$689 for asian children, and \$219 for black children; also stating that some classrooms had up to 130 students for each teacher.

Ezekiel Pajibo, from Liberia, spoke of events beginning with the 1980 military coup. Previous to this, the nation was a democracy. Since the coup, US aid to Liberia has increased. 55% of the funds are spent

on military related goals.

After their speeches, a question and answer session was begun.

The question of the future of Africa was discussed. The representative from Mali

other as a family first.

When Nozipo was questioned about the portrayal of DeKlerk in the american press, she unleashed a venomous verbal attack against the "Butcher."

Overall, the program went over very well.



stated that "It should be clear that the future of Africa is in the hands of the Africans themselves." All the other representatives concurred on this point. Nozipo Glenn added that the Africans need to see each

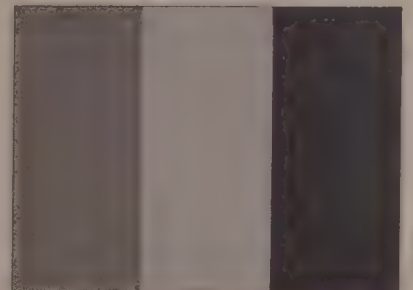
The lecture was quite informative on the current status of Africa.



Liberia



Zaire



Mali



South Africa

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Calendar

Thursday, April 17

- Baseball vs. UMass Boston at 3:30pm
- SGA Elections

Friday, April 18

- 24 hour Volleyball Marathon begins

Saturday April 19

- Softball vs. Westfield State at noon
- Baseball vs. Westfield State at noon

Monday, April 21

- Softball vs. Bridgewater State at noon
- Baseball vs. Bridgewater State at noon
- School Closed
- Patriots Day
- Passover begins at sunset
- SEC Paint Ball Trip 8:30am-3:30pm

Tuesday, April 22

- Softball vs. Rhode Island College at 5pm
- Men's Tennis vs. Assumption at 3:30pm

Wednesday April 23

- SEC Concert
- Campus Ministry Pasta Supper at 6pm
- Secretaries Day

Thursday, April 24

- All Organizational competitions begin at 1pm
- Campus Ambassadors Spaghetti Dinner at 5:30pm
- Men's Tennis vs. Roger Williams at 4pm
- Crew City Championships
- Golf-Worcester State Invitational

Friday, April 25

- Semi-Formal at Holden Hills from 6pm til midnight

April 25, Continued

- Anzac Day (Australia)
- Liberation Day (Italy)
- Portugal's Day (Portugal)

Saturday, April 26

- Campus Clean-up meeting in the Student Center at 11am
- SEC Live All Day Concert at 2pm

Sunday, April 27

- Baseball vs. Nichols College

Tuesday, April 29

- Senior Trip to Red Sox Game
- Greenery Day (Japan)
- Softball vs. U/Mass Dartmouth
- Baseball vs. Mass College of Pharmacy

Men's Tennis vs. Western New England

Wednesday, April 30

- Campus Ministry Pasta Supper at 6pm

Thursday, May 1

- Campus Ambassadors Spaghetti Dinner at 5:30pm
- Labor Day (France, Germany, Italy, Portugal, and Spain)
- Baseball vs. Western New England

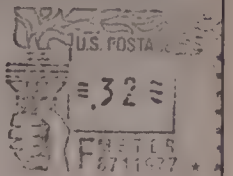


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CAMPUS AND WORLD NEWS

SEC PRESENTS SPRINGTOPIA!!!

By Christopher M. Smith
Voice Staff

Once again the wonderful Student Events Committee comes through with another Spring Week full of fun for everyone! The good times begin on Monday, April 21 which is Patriot's Day (No Classes) at WSC. That in itself may be fun enough, but there is a **Friendly Fire Paint Ball Trip** planned for that day as well. The cost is \$20 per person and you get admission, lunch, ammo (paint balls) and you can bring a guest too. Tickets are available at the Info Desk. The bus departs at 8:00 AM near the Student Center and it returns around 4:30 PM. Be on it and bring a change of clothes for a happening time!

On Tuesday, April 22 there will be a **Daytime Novelty Surprise** from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM in the Student Center Exhibit Area. There will also be a very cool **Talent Show** with emcee Kathy Walker. It is in the Blue Lounge (as opposed to the purple lounge or the violet lounge) at 7:30 PM and there will be **PRIZES...yes PRIZES** of \$50, \$75 and \$100! Sign up at the Activities Office.

There will be a **Spring Concert** with **Born Jamerican** and **Rustic Overtones** on Wednesday, April 23 in

the Sullivan Auditorium at 7:30 PM. This is a reggae/ska/rock show with two up and coming hot bands! Tickets are \$5 with a WSC ID and \$300 otherwise, no silly wabbit, tix are just \$7 for guests/other with college ID at the Info Desk. Come an' enjoy da beat man!

The merriment continues on Thursday, April 24 with a **Resident vs. Commuter Volleyball** and **WSCW DJ Softball Challenge with Cookout**. Volleyball will be taking place at 2:00 PM at the Chandler Village Court. The softball and cookout will be...take a wild guess, the WSC Equestrian Field...the WSC Ice Hockey Rink...? No, it will be at the Softball Field from 4:00PM to 7:00PM!!! So, bring your balls and your appetite. No wait, they'll have plenty of balls there, just bring your "burger scarfing" appetite and enjoy!

You can cut a rug with that special someone (or maybe that not-so-special someone if you couldn't find a date) at the **Spring Semi-Formal**

Dinner Dance on Friday, April 25. Dancing and a buffet dinner will be going on at the Holden Hills from 6:00 PM to 10:00 PM. The cost is your mortal soul or \$25, whichever is easier for you. There will be a shuttle bus available. Tickets go on sale at the Info Desk until April 18 or until they sell out.

If you haven't had enough entertainment after all of this there is still one more thing for you social tigers! The **19th Annual Live All Day** will be transpiring on Saturday, April 26 from 2:00 PM to 6:00 PM on the OLP Patio. The OLP will be open for "of age" students. Live music will be featured with WSCW and more chow. Other highlights of this day will include **Moonbounce, Gladiator Joust, Tie Dye T-Shirts and Photo Key Chains**. Don't miss out on these great times! Hey Beavis this is gonna be wicked **K H O U L!!!!!!!!!!!!!!** **YEAH, YEAH...K H O U L!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**

This is a big part of what college is all about...food, folks and fun. The SEC always comes through with some really great stuff. There will be many other people as well who will be contributing to these events and they should be given lots of credit as well. What will really make all of this shine is you coming to as many of these things as you can to support and enjoy. If you are interested in what the SEC does you can join them at their weekly meetings on Tuesdays at 3:30 PM in room M-110. New Members are always welcome! You can call the SEC at 793-8000 x.8656. Enjoy the moment now my friends...it is always later than we realize.

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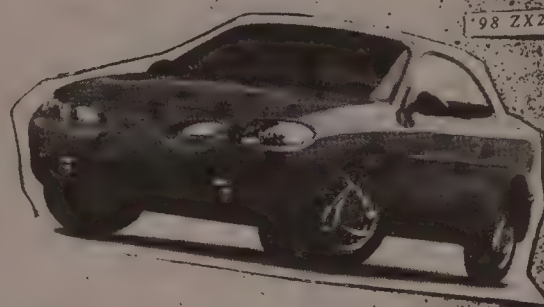
Let's imagine that every week or so we get 2 nights in a row...with no day in between.

So, at 6 a.m. when it would normally start to become light in the morning, it'd begin to get dark again...maybe you'd see a sliver of sun for 15 minutes...then it'd be a whole night all over again.

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CAMPUS AND WORLD NEWS

Hot Tips to Make Your Car Cool.

by Ian Hand
Voice Contributor

Well its spring time again and with that comes the desire to spiff up the car for the hot summer months ahead. Whether you are enhancing yours cars performance or just making it look unique and cool, the following article may be of some use to you.

Most people when they want to improve their car this time of year, want results right away. However if the buyer is able to stay patient, he or she will allow themselves to save a significant amount of money.

One area car enthusiasts are always interested in is tires. Whether you own sports car, or sport utility these products can get very expensive. I can definitely account for this when I recently went tire shopping. However I found a source that got me almost 60% off the retail price that any store would charge, and this source can be located in many auto magazines populating bookshelves everywhere. I ordered my tires from

a company called Discount Tire Direct and received my tires in 4 business days. I calculated, based on retail prices that I saved over \$53 dollars a tire. Multiplied by four thats a lot of moolah! Other companies in Mag's also offer similar savings, one in particular is called the Tire Rack, so if you want to save some money check em' out!

Other products such as ground effects, spoilers and car radios can easily be bought at stores throughout the area. However when shopping these places it is also easy to spend more than you have to. One way to shop for these products is one that most people readily discount, this is none other than the WANT-ADvertiser. The want advertiser has its degree of criticism, and most people just don't trust used merchandise in any form. However as long as you know what you are buying and have significant knowledge of the product you will fare well. If you don't, bring along someone that does, and they can

steer you on or off the item in question.

By doing this you can be assured that what you are buying is worthwhile. This is essential because where in most cases people selling merchandise are honest about what they are selling, but on the other hand there are people who aren't, so make sure you obtain knowledge about the merchandise.

Shopping the WANT-ADvertiser can bring varied results, at some times you might find nothing, but some times you might be suprised at your findings. Some of the items you discover might not be used at all, maybe the owner bought them and no longer needs it, if thats the case, the owner is more than grateful to sell the product, and at a much lower price than a store would charge. So if you are willing to be patient and even drive a few miles, want ad scanning could really pay off.

One final tip I thought would be useful to tell about is installation of products. Most

products are sold with the intention of home installation and come with all the needed instructions and parts necessary to install. Most people feel obligated to have a professional install their products, but if you are willing to get your hands dirty you can have the same custom results without having to pay hefty prices. However there are limits you must make for yourself. You may be able to install a sunroof visor but you may not have the ability to install that sunroof you always wanted. Cutting holes in roofs should be left to qualified personnel, and shouldn't be attempted by people thinking they have the ability to create equivalent results, via the use of a steak knife! So know your limits!

I hope these tips give you some help in customizing your automobile. Remember patience and hard work pay off, and this definitely applies to automobiles. So I wish you good luck, and I'll see you on the road!

Tall Ship Friendship is Coming to Salem

SALEM, MASS - Friendship is coming to Salem this July! Come and see the 171-foot, three-masted East Indiaman merchant tall sits new home, The Salem Maritime National Historic Site. Friendship is the biggest wooden, Coast Guard certified, sailing vessel to be built in New England in this century! She is scheduled to arrive in Salem the weekend of July 19, and her arrival will kick off a special Friendship celebration, including a concert on Derby Wharf on July 19. The highlight of the weekend will be on July 21, when Friendship welcomes USS Constitution to the North Shore as USS Constitution sails for the first time in 116 years! This event will celebrate the 200th anniversary of both vessels. Friendship has been asked to greet USS Constitution by acting as the sailing mark as USS Constitution makes her historic voyage to Marblehead and Salem. The original Friendship was built by the famous Salem shipwright Enos Briggs for the powerful merchants Peirce and Waite. Launched in 1797, Friendship made 16 voyages from Salem to China, Java, and other Asian and European ports until she was captured by the British in the War of 1812. Friendship was chosen as the vessel to represent and depict the great age of sail because she is so well-documented: many of the original ship's logs, three paintings, and a model built by a carpenter while aboard the original Friendship still exist and are on exhibit

at the Peabody Essex Museum. "It's very exciting to have Friendship coming here. It will be a flagship to the region, highlighting our tremendous maritime assets. Up and down the North Shore there are harbor tours, whale watches boats, historic fishing schooners, wonderful beaches and historic seaports. Now with the tall ship Friendship, visitors will be able to climb aboard and experience first hand what tremendous courage and enterprise it took for our ancestors to set out for two years on a voyage halfway around the world," said Annie Harris, Executive Director of The Salem Partnership, a non-profit organization which has successfully undertaken raising \$1.5 million in matching funds to build this historic replica.

Friendship is being built with a full set of sails and is designed to Coast Guard standards to be a passenger sailing vessel capable of carrying 149 passengers. We did make some concessions to the 20th century," said Dr. Steve Kesselman, superintendent of The Salem Maritime National Historic Site, the owners and operators of the ship.

"Friendship also has twin diesel engines and is handicapped accessible. We want to make certain that the public has full use of this wonderful vessel," added Kesselman.

The plans are to have Friendship docked at the Salem Maritime National Historic Site year round. However, Harns commented that, from time to time we hope to also take

passengers out under sail for special events. After all, when the tall ships come to Boston in 2000, we want to be represented there as well."

Friendship's hull is currently under construction at Scarano Boat Building, Inc. in Albany, NY. Scarano plans to launch the hull next summer and motor it down the Hudson River and through the Cape Cod Canal. She is scheduled to arrive in Salem the weekend of July 19. Then the really interesting work, construction of her masts, the ship rigging and woodworking, will begin. The construction will be on view at the

Salem Maritime National Historic Site from July through early 1998. Thereafter, Friendship will be open to the general public for tours, interactive educational programs and sailing. There will be a fee to visit the ship. For more information about Friendship, contact "Friends of Friendship" at The Salem Partnership at (508)741-8100.



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Move Over Diamonds...

Chocolates Are A Girl's Best Friend

Eloise's friends had thrown her a surprise party
 at her place for her 40th Birthday
 Slender and a bit peaked, she said goodnight to
 her last guest, there was a lot of food to put away
 Eloise simpered at the tray of sapid chocolates
 She avoided them because she was on a diet
 A couple of hours had passed and everything was done
 except the chocolates were still out
 "I'll get those later" she said
 Tired, she laid down on the couch
 Already in her negligee, she began to drift off to sleep
 "Eloise...Eloise..." she heard
 It was the tasty morsels beckoning her sense of desire
 Eloise has been on her diet for a long time
 Between that and the gym she looked outstanding
 An hourglass figure with muscle tone
 like a brand new baseball glove
 Firm legs like a mighty mare
 The unbridled convexity of her corpulent bosom
 fell just short of emanating it's own gravitational field
 She pondered having just one chocolate...just one!
 One would be okay...moderation is the name of the game right?
 Reaching over she grasped one with her long red fingernails
 Pausing to behold the sacred little yummy
 Eloise pressed it ever-so-gently against her red supple lips
 Placing it into her mouth she savored it by chewing slowly
 A smile, a faint groan...satisfaction had been achieved!
 However, before she could lay back down they called her again
 This continued on through the night
 Eloise gave into her passion and self-indulgence
 She had some biological reaction to the magical little devils
 As the blissful hours passed Eloise began to change
 All of the chocolates had been consumed
 Dawn would arrive soon
 Eloise was now more voluptuous than ever before
 Her negligee fit quite snugly now around her new curves
 She danced and laughed and frolicked about
 Not a care in the world...then she awoke!
 Still lying on the couch she realized that she had been
 asleep for several hours and she was skinny as well
 The party must have worn her out more than she thought
 A tray of melted chocolates rested on the table
 Hesitating for a moment she remembered her dream
 Taking the tray into the kitchen she had a skip in her step
 "It was just a dream wasn't it?" she asked herself
 Looking down she noticed one confection was missing
 She smiled and went to bed...

Christopher M. Smith

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- Any communications student may enter
- The videos may be any length
- Selected videos are viewed and judged by our peers at the festival
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Entertainment by WSCW. Cash bar and munchies. Tickets are \$5.00 and can be purchased from the Communications Secretary, Peg Gentile, in L-120D or from Rob Fierro or Angel Felch

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Attention:

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Arts & Entertainment

"MARIGOLDS" LEAVES A BITTER-SWEET TASTE

Valerie Beals
Staff Reporter

The Worcester State College Theater department's production of "The Effect Of Gamma Rays on Man-in-the-Moon Marigolds" opened (and closed) this past weekend. It was a surprise to see that a college would produce a show that seems beneath most mature actors capabilities. Unfortunately it seems that the actors in this production weren't quite up to the challenge.

I attended the Friday evening performance and was immediately disappointed by the small turnout (only 20 or so people in the audience). How can a theater department survive with crowds so small is beyond me! I sat in the front row, so as not to miss a beat.

The music and sound were wonderful. The Beatles music played before the show was a good interlude to what was to come. The sound cues were a little off at times, including a "gong" that wouldn't stop ringing and a pre-recorded section of dialogue that didn't stop when it should have.

The set design, by Worcester State College Professor Hallie Zieselman, was understated and that was just what the set needed. The colors, very drab and dull set the scene very well. The lack of pictures, however, did not go unnoticed. Ms. Zieselman explained that the budget ran dry before they could buy any pictures for the walls.

It is also to be noted that this cheap apartment did not have any lamps to speak of. An explanation by lighting designer and

WSC student Alyscia Juzukonis said that there was no way to control a lamp on stage from the lighting booth. Alyscia made up for this with subtle stage lighting and a nice effect with the thunderstorm.

The costumes were a travesty, as all 70's fashions are! Rob Latino, WSC student, did his job very well. The play was set in the 1970's and the costumes, as ugly as they seemed, were perfect! Tillie, (portrayed by Lisa Vigeant), for example, was dowdy in her skirt and plaid top offset by the ever so demure ankle socks and white canvas sneakers. The only noticeable problem was a lack of support hose on Beatrice, portrayed by Ramona Puchalski. Ms. Puchalski is a very young lady playing a woman with "vericose veins" in her legs. From the front row, it was very easy to tell that she in fact did not have nor probably ever will have vericose veins.

It was brought to my attention that the actors did their own make-up. I have one suggestion. NEVER let these women do their own make-up again! "Beatrice" (Romana Puchalski) and "Nanny" (Jenn Jackman) were the two biggest make-up no-no's on the stage. Nanny looked like a Japanese Kabuki actor, made up with too much white in all the wrong places. Her wrinkles were too defined and stood out even when I moved to the back row. Beatrice had the same problem with wrinkle lines, and her blush was overdone. She looked angry and tired, which is perfect for her character. The problem was that she also looked much to

dark skinned to be related to the two girls, Tillie and Ruth. And then there is the wig issue. The two character wearing wigs needed help. The powder white wig worn by Nanny was perfect, but Ms. Jackman needed to hide her own hair better as wisps of brown hair stuck out all over the place. The wig worn by Ms. Puchalski was too perfect for the character. Maybe a few curls would have done the trick.

Lisa Vigeant performed the role of "Tillie", a girl trying to find her place in the world. Her acting was wonderful. She came off as very timid and shy as her character is supposed to be. I did, however, see her giggle or smile in seemingly inappropriate places. Maybe this is how director Ann Marie Shea wanted her to portray her insecurity. If so, then Ms. Vigeant should have "giggled" more often.

Ramona Puchalski, as noted earlier, portrayed "Beatrice", the mother of the two girls. She was mean, angry, bitter, and spiteful of the world around her. This anger was taken out on her two daughters and everyone around her. Ms. Puchalski did a splendid job of pulling off this bitterness. The problem came when Ms. Puchalski had to be compassionate, as in the scene with Ruth and the thunderstorm. Her intense anger throughout the rest of the show made it impossible to believe that she could ever be sincere in showing compassion for either of her girls.

Michelle Buonopane portrayed the emotionally unstable daughter "Ruth". Ms.

Buonopane delivered her lines quickly and deftly. Her portrayal of Ruth was very believable. Ruth, however, is supposed to use her body to gain attention. Ms. Buonopane didn't seem to shov this on stage. Her costumes were perfect, but Ms. Buonopane seemed very uncomfortable in them. This made her portrayal of Ruth seem phony.

The three other roles, small though they may be, are also to be noted. The ever-present yet mute role of "Nanny" was portrayed by Jenn Jackman. She was very convincing as an old person, even with the Kabuki make-up and zinc-oxide nose. Vanessa Fischer-Mackey portrayed the ever so snobbish "Janice Vickery". She only has one scene and Ms. Fischer-Mackey did a fabulous job, despite the gong that wouldn't stop ringing. She did seem a little flustered by the ringing, but it seemed to work well with her character. The role of "Peter" was portrayed by Thelma Lapine. Peter was a very pivotal role that Ms. Lapine handled with the finesse as only a rabbit could do. As the program stated, she "left her mark on the stage".

All in all, the performance was entertaining and at some points very emotional. Those emotions, however, could have been even bigger with stronger performances by the actors, and more support from the students and professors of Worcester State College. Theater needs support from an audience. Without an audience to play to why act in the first place?



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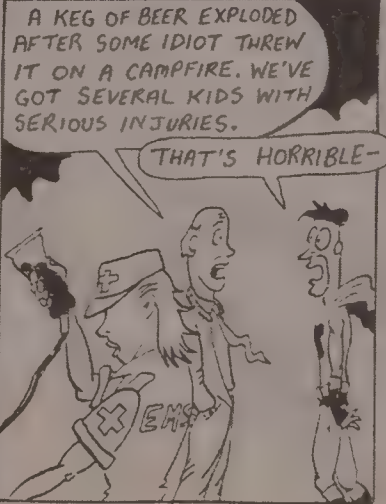
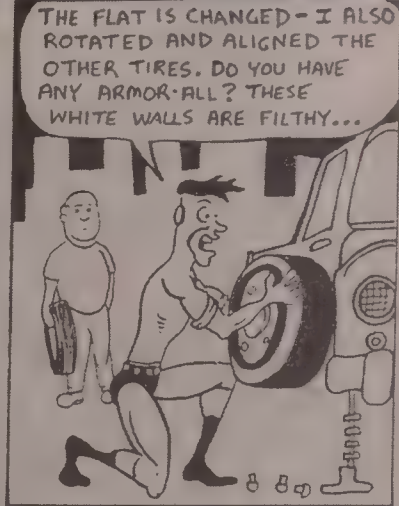
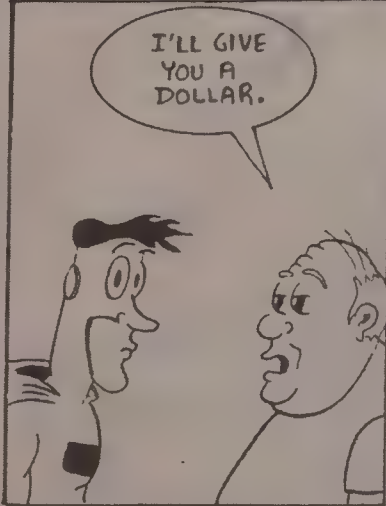
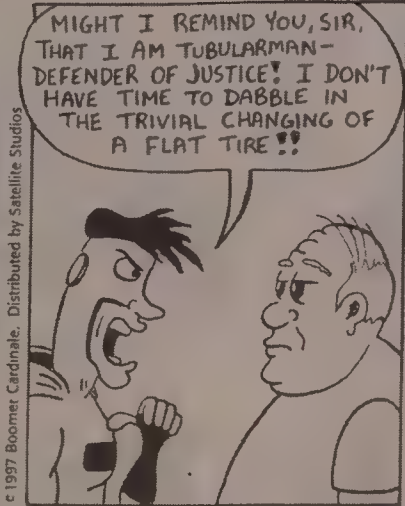
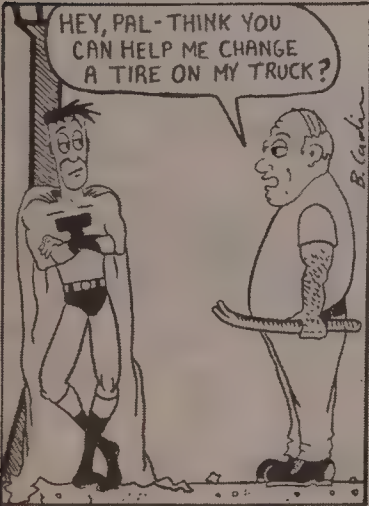
Valerie Beals
Staff Reporter

The arts lecture series will conclude on Thursday night at 7pm in the North/South auditorium with a lecture from Boston artist Paul Laffoley. According to Professor Michael Hachey, Mr. Laffoley is very much into aliens and UFO's. This belief is reflected in his artwork. Mr. Laffoley's artwork also contains many elements found in nature and architecture. His paintings and drawings combine the simplicity of nature and the materialistic side of architecture to create artwork that seems to "grow" like a plant. Sound interesting? Than join us Thursday night for a little visual excitement. This will conclude the evening lecture series, but if you like a little funk in your art, stop by the student center April 24 from 1 0:30am- 1 :30pm for a performance by the Top Rock Crew. Remember, all of these events are free to all. For more information about the series, or any upcoming events, contact the Visual and Performing Arts Department at (508)793-8000, Ext. 8843.

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Spotlight On: Amanda Duncan

By Kristen Servant
Student Activities Intern

This weeks spotlight is on WSC's own Campus Ambassadors (CA). This President of the Campus Ambassadors is Amanda J. Duncan. Ms. Duncan describes the organization as "a fellowship based on Christianity for students interested in the Bible, developing a Christian belief system, or investigating the Christian belief." The group meets on Thursdays at 7:00pm in room 204 of the Student Center. CA always accepts new members and encourages curious students to stop by and check them out.

Ms. Duncan got involved when she "went to a Campus Ministry dinner (now sponsored by CA) and met the advisor and some members. I went to the meeting and have been going ever since."

This school year, CA has done many positive things for the WSC community. They have had nature outings, weekly Bible studies, scavenger hunts, and various speakers.

The group also sponsors spaghetti dinners every Thursday at 5:30pm in the Campus Ministry House.

Although the group has blossomed this year, Ms. Duncan "would like to see it grow in membership, unity, openness, and spirituality." Those in search of such an organization, can get in touch with CA by calling the Student Activities/Student Center Office at 793-8000 ext.8073.

Ms. Duncan's advice to students curious about becoming involved in Student Activities is to "decide what you want in a club and find one that fits. Once you find one, remember; you gain only as much as you put into any organization."

Want to become involved in one of the many student organizations? Contact the Student Activities/Student Center Office on the Second level of the Student Center, or contact the specific organization through their extension listed in the Student Handbook.



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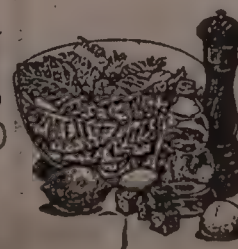
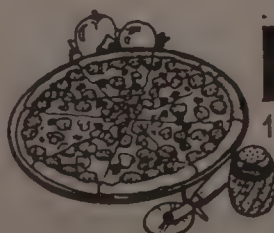
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Tuesday, April 22

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Talent Show

7:30pm in the Blue Lounge

Wednesday, April 23

Spring Concert

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in Sullivan Auditorium at 7:30pm

Thursday, April 24

Resident vs. Commuter Volleyball

at 2pm in Chandler Village Court

WSCW DJ Softball

at 4pm in the softball field

Friday, April 25

Spring Semi-Formal

from 6pm-10pm

Saturday April 26

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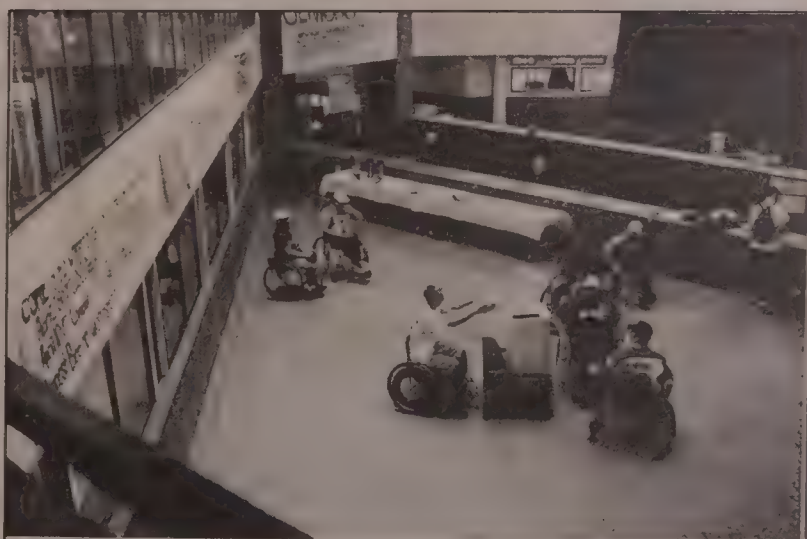
Disability Services Office Brings Fun and Education With The Bay State Wheelers, INC.

By Christopher M. Smith
Voice Staff

Disability Awareness Day happened on Wednesday, April 16, 1997 from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. This was sponsored by the Disability Services Office here at WSC. The coordinator of this is Dennis Lindblom and he works in conjunction with students and faculty to help provide services to those in need. This is the second time the Bay State Wheelers have come to WSC. This all began as a company fair in 1994 and then there wasn't anything in 1995. The Bay State Wheelers came last year and have brought a lot of enthusiasm and positive energy to WSC. There were thirteen tables of rehab agencies and a mock basketball court in the Student Center. The agencies that participated were as follows: White Oak Farm Special Equestrian, Special Care Home Health Services, J.E. Hanger, Inc., MA Association For The Blind, Worcester Area Association For Retarded Citizens, Inc., Center For Living and Working, Inc., Beaumont Rehabilitation & Skilled Nursing Center, Nova Care Orthotics and Prosthetics, Muscular Dystrophy Association, Seven Hills Foundation, Fairlawn Rehab Hospital, New England Wheels, Inc., HEALTHSOUTH Home Health Services and St. Vincent's Hospital. It was a successful day of fun and education for everyone involved. Jackie Brennan from the Occupational Therapy Department brought

a class over to demonstrate some wheelchairs out in the parking lot. Joe Bellil, President of the BSW, and a few others joined them and demonstrated some of the controls in their vans. This went on from about 1:30 PM to 2:00 PM. The BSW 1996 Guidebook describes the BSW as follows: "Bay State Wheelers (Wheelchair Basketball) The Bay State Wheelers has the only local wheelchair basketball team which has been in the Worcester area for over twenty-five years. The team's main practice gym is at the Shrewsbury Middle School in Shrewsbury, Massachusetts. The wheelchair basketball team consists of approximately twenty players. Many of the team members have been playing wheelchair basketball for over ten years. The team always welcomes newcomers, who are either disabled or non-disabled, to join the fun. In addition, The Bay State Wheelers participate in exhibition games and disability awareness events. For more information contact: Joe Bellil at (508) 842-2596."

This event is one of many things that Dennis Lindblom and others help to happen here at WSC. Dennis became the Coordinator of the Disabilities Services Office in the Autumn of 1993. He helps to plan events that raise awareness of faculty, staff, administration, students and the entire WSC community. He helps to provide accommodations for a large spectrum of disabilities. These include evident ones such as mobil-



The Bay State Wheelers Play Basketball against WSC Students

ity, visual and even hearing, but he also deals with disabilities that are not so easily detected. These would include ADD (Attention Deficit Disorder), brain trauma, stroke, psychiatric and learning disabilities. Dennis requires the student to provide an IEP (Individual Education Plan) from their high school. In college it is the responsibility of the student to ask for what services they need. There is an intake interview and the information is updated. Dennis helps the

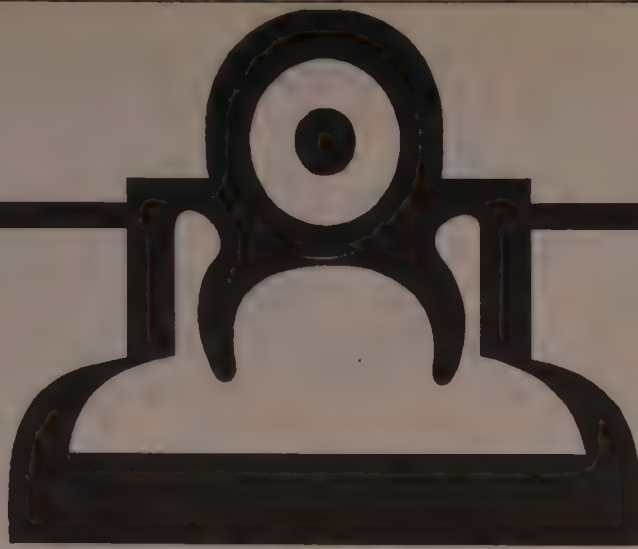
student to define what kinds of accommodations that they may need and how they could go about getting them. The student needs accessibility to the classroom. After the initial process has taken place then Dennis will send a letter to the faculty that is teaching the course that the student wants to take. Dennis will only do this and all other things in this process with the permission of the student because they are the ones

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Calendar

Thursday, April 24

- All Organizational competitions begin at 1pm
- Campus Ambassadors Spaghetti Dinner at 5:30pm
- Men's Tennis vs. Roger Williams at 4pm
- Crew City Championships at Lake Quinsigamund
- Golf-Worcester State Invitational

Friday, April 25

- Semi-Formal at Holden Hills from 6pm til midnight
- Anzac Day (Australia)
- Liberation Day (Italy)
- Portugal's Day (Portugal)

Saturday, April 26

- Campus Clean-up meeting in the Student Center at 11am
- SEC Live All Day Concert at 2pm

Sunday, April 27

- Baseball vs. Nichols College

Tuesday, April 29

- Senior Trip to Red Sox Game
- Greenery Day (Japan)
- Softball vs. U/Mass Dartmouth
- Baseball vs. Mass College of Pharmacy
- Men's Tennis vs. Western New England

Wednesday, April 30

- Campus Ministry Pasta Supper at 6pm

Thursday, May 1

- Campus Ambassadors Spaghetti Dinner at 5:30pm
- Labor Day (France, Germany, Italy,

Portugal, and Spain)

- Baseball vs. Western New England

Friday, May 2

- All Organizational Banquet

Saturday, May 3

- TWA Comedy Dance 8pm-2am
- Constitution Day (Japan)

Sunday, May 4

- RHPC Volleyball Tournament

Monday, May 5

- Baseball vs. Roger Williams
- Evening and Graduate Classes end
- Cinco De Mayo (Mexico)
- May Bank Holiday (United Kingdom)
- Children's Day (Japan)

Tuesday, May 6

- Golf vs. Nichols
- Day Classes end

Wednesday, May 7

- RHPC Carnival

Thursday, May 8

- Exams begin
- Ascension Day
- Liberation Day (France)



COMMENTARY

The Soapbox

Paving the Way to the Future

by David Spencer
Editor-in-Chief

As any commuter, or resident with a vehicle parked on campus grounds, the parking lot sucks. Now this isn't a bash against Administration about how there isn't enough spaces. This is instead a bash against Administration about how the parking lot looks like we've been through an air-raid sent from rogue Iraqi planes.

Now even the uneducated know that after a period of heavy precipitation with temperatures that fluctuate from one extreme to the other, that pavement will begin to crack, and that eventually, or even immediately create "pot-holes."

Even the speed bumps haven't been immune to this sort of decay. None of the speed bumps are exactly in what one could call

pristine shape. Most have holes in them as well. The drivers who get here early enough can avoid the speed bumps, but later drivers have no choice but to go forth, risking life and tire, over these speed bumps, all the while praying to their chosen deity that their tires don't burst after hitting a jagged edge.

The whole situation could easily be fixed in a short afternoon. I'm not asking for a repaved parking lot (though that may be a wiser course, and less expensive in the long run) but the pot-holes and speed bumps must be, at the very least be patched up.

If Administration waits too long, someone could burst a tire, the changing of which could take a long time holding traffic up at vital times, or even worse, someone could get hurt, which is unlikely but possible.

MassPirg: So Long, and Thanks For All the Fish...

To: Faculty, Administration, Students.
Fr: Carla T., Ajayi H. MASSPIRG.
Re: End of Semester

This is final memo for us this semester. We have enjoyed developing a working relationship with you and look forward to continuing that next semester. This semester we have reached out to a traditionally untapped resource. We have targeted our program to include more commuters, as well as residents. We feel we have succeed in large part to your help. Thanks!

We also wanted to highlight some of our major accomplishments we have had this semester. Most of it was due to your help.

Hunger and Homelessness.

Homelessness: The Causes and Solutions. A forum on Homeless cosponsored by WSC SGA, and the Intergenerational Studied Dept. Scott Haymen and Maureen Power, Speakers.

2 Food and Clothing Drives cosponsored by Newman Assoc. Over 2 tons of food and clothing went to local shelters.

2 Peanut Butter and Jelly benefits for the Hungry. PBJs went to the PIP Shelter.

Worcester College Clean-Up. Over 475 students helped to clean the communities. MASSPIRG was a cosponsor.

Voter Registration

• In fall 96 we registered over 500 students

to vote.

• Organized a coalition 5 student groups, the SGA, and faculty and administration.

Updated Bottle Bill Campaign

• Students from WSC meet with Legislators to discuss updated the Bottle Bill at the Audbon Society's "Meet Your Legislator Night."

• Student also conducted polling in Shrewsbury, and Westbro to determine the support for the Bottle Bill. The polling data, also collected by Clark's MASSPIRG chapter, was released at a press conference.

Next semester we are planning to continue our work on updating the Bottle Bill. In addition we planning a Community Service program to get students into the communities by organizing shelter visits to help the homeless, conducting river clean-up, working on housing issues for the homeless, and holding educational forum on important issues. We, of course, will let you know about many of these events.

If you need to contact us over the summer, please call Andy MacDonald, Organizing Director for MASS Student PIRG at 617-292-4800. If there is any mail that needs our attention, please send it to the address below. Once again thank you for your support and have a great summer! MASSPIRG 29 Temple Place. Boston MA 02111 Atten: Andy MacDonald.

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CAMPUS AND WORLD NEWS

Spotlight On: Robert Young

by Kristen Servant
Student Activities Intern

This week's spotlight is on one of the strongest outreach groups at WSC; Newman Association. As a past member, I can honestly say that the internal rewards you get when working with the needy cannot be paralleled. This year's current President is Robert Young. Mr. Young describes the association in that, "Newman gives students an opportunity to meet and work with all types of people- homeless, abused, elderly, poor, refugees, minorities, mentally retarded, addicted, ex-prisoners, and needy children. Newman is also a great place to meet other great students who have big hearts." Newman is a volunteer organization that goes out into the community and makes a difference in many people's lives.

Mr. Young became involved in community service even before coming to college.

"I have been the President of my high school volunteer group and the President of YouthARC (Youth Organized and United to Help the Association for Retarded Citizens). With the same hunger for volunteer work, I joined Newman as a Freshman at WSC," he explained.

The club is very active and visible on the campus. Some of their past events include; work at the PIP shelter, Mustard Seed soup kitchen, Youville House, tutoring inner city children, Habitat for Humanity, clothing and food drives, the Giving Tree, and a trip to

New York to see a Broadway play. Currently, Newman has an occasional information table in Lancer's Loft to inform students on what their organization is all about.

While the group is extremely productive, more members are still needed to further their efforts. Mr. Young "would like to see more WSC students get involved. We volunteer weekdays, weeknights, and weekends. If anyone has just one to two hours to volunteer, whether they can make the meetings (2:30 Thursdays in the Campus Ministry House) or not, I want to know about it.

We have something for every student."

Mr. Young's advice to students curious about becoming involved is to "Bring a daily planner to meetings so that you can organize yourself for the semester. Also, get involved- there are so many great groups and activities where you can make a difference."

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Disability Awareness Day

PHOTOS BY DENNIS LINDBLUM

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who initiate the process. The students have deal with some stigma that goes along with having a disability and asking for assistance. There are some people who do not agree with having exemption categories that allow for needs to be met. Dennis believes that students are best addressed as "human beings with disabilities not disabled students." Dennis also believes that the stigma concerning disabilities is much like that of a bell curve. There are a few people on either side who are adamant about how they think that this should be approached. Mostly, there are the vast majority of people in the middle who are somewhat unclear about it and could benefit from some education about disabilities. There is some further research being done on this that may help to further an understanding of people's attitudes toward disabilities.

Dennis sees his position as one of diplomacy. On one hand, he works with the confidentiality of the students, and on the other, he is the liaison to the faculty. Dennis tries to encourage the student to develop trust with the faculty so that they can more easily navigate their course of action and also to get more out of the class and the whole college experience. Dennis also encourages students to learn how to advocate for themselves and to become independent learners. Most of the work that takes place for both Dennis and the students is in the transition from high-school to college.

Dennis has found much support in his efforts here at WSC. Paul Joseph, Dean of

Student Development, James Foley, Dean of Undergraduate Studies and Carolyn Chicarelli, Associate Dean, Academic Success Center have been just a few. "I've really appreciated the supervision that I've gotten from people. They were very supportive and realistic about all of what this entails. They just said do what you need to do for the students and do your best. This is a process and we are all learning how to do this together." The students that Dennis has worked with have been very receptive to his kind-hearted manner and his efficiency at helping them to get their needs met.

Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 required colleges to be in accordance with terms that allow accessibility to colleges for students with disabilities. The financial aid that the students were receiving allowed for the colleges to be held accountable to make the appropriate changes necessary to do this. The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) was passed in July, 1990 and an increased effort was mandated that accommodations be met and maintained. Their definition of disability is as follows: "Any physical or mental impairment that substantially limits a matter of life activity." Education is certainly a matter of life activity, if not the activity of life itself. The number of students with disabilities was increasing and that is how Dennis got his current job. Part of WSC's response to the ADA was to create a formal Disabilities Services Office that can address the issues that need to be taken care of. This office is currently servicing 80 to 90 students per semester and

the numbers continue to rise. Dennis works together with the students and others involved to help provide opportunities for education that have not been present in the past for students with disabilities.

In the WSC Disability Services Office pamphlet it states the following: "While our services may be helpful, we believe that the basic ingredient for success is the motivation provided by the student. We are committed to the concept that each student must accept his/her own advocate. The ultimate goal of the DSO is to ensure nondiscrimination

and enable each student to reach his/her highest level of learning independence." People helping people...great work happening here at WSC!



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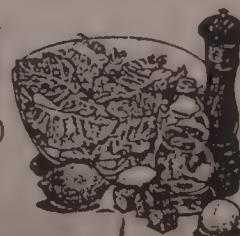
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5 a Day?

Enough Fruits and Vegetables Could Save You From Cancer

The National Cancer Institute and the American Cancer Society are now scientifically confirming what your grandmother has been saying all along: eat your fruits and vegetables (at least five a day).

The important new role of common fruits and veggies in reducing your risk of cancer, heart disease, diabetes and other illness will be probed on **The Vegetable Chronicles**, an intriguing series of three one-hour specials airing Mondays on WSCW 94.9FM.

Endorsed by the U.S. Surgeon General, the health recommendation to eat at least five daily servings of fruits and vegetables can cut in half your risk of major cancers.

According to Susan Foerster, the State of California's Chief of Nutrition and Cancer Prevention, "Not all cancers are diet-related, but it is the major killers which are considered to be diet-related. These include breast cancer, colon cancer and prostate cancer." Smokers, she says, give themselves a "double-whammy" by the toxic assault of tobacco on the body and because smokers typically are also low-consumers of fruits and vegetables.

Scientists believe substances called "phytochemicals," which occur naturally in fruits and vegetables, provide a powerful shield against these diseases. A 1996 report published in the *Journal of the American Dietetic Association* summarized 206

human studies demonstrating a protective effect of fruits and vegetables against cancer as well as heart disease, diabetes and stroke.

In **The Vegetable Chronicles** radio series, award-winning public radio producers David Freudberg and Lisa Mullins examine what these findings mean for you and your life. The series has just been released to 50 college radio stations, specially selected for a National Cancer Institute test of how college students respond to important health information. After this sneak preview on college campuses, the documentaries will be distributed by satellite to a nation-wide audience by Public Radio International.

SO WHAT'S THE BIG DEAL?

It's this: The National Cancer Institute estimates that 80 percent of cancers are due to factors that can be controlled. At least a third of cancers are linked to what we eat. Some say it's as high as 70 percent. Since prevention of disease currently holds out much more potential to curb cancer than treatment does, we can help control whether we become victims by being selective about what we eat.

In 1996, the American Cancer Society formally recommended that you "choose most of the foods you eat from plant

sources." For some, this means consuming more vegetables, fruits and grains and cutting back on animal foods (such as meat and dairy). Others have chosen to become semi-vegetarians or to eliminate meat altogether. The current federal Dietary Guidelines for Americans, published in 1995, state that most vegetarians "enjoy excellent health."

College students traditionally have led the way in raising consciousness about eating a plant-based diet. Compared with the adult population, twice as many college youths have gone this route, according to one estimate.

And take heart if you're just not inclined to make a big change, but are willing to eat more fruits and veggies. Says physician and nutritional epidemiologist Timothy Byers: "Even among people who are overweight, even among people who do eat high fat diets, the fruit and vegetable effect is strong enough that we still see it there."

The Vegetable Chronicles programs help listeners think through the array of food choices available. The series explores the variety of plant-based foods that taste terrific, are less costly than meat, and much kinder to your body and to the earth. You'll hear physicians, chefs, entertainers and others who have discovered the natural wisdom of eating "smart." And you'll discover

simple, quick and succulent ways to eat better.

TREATING YOURSELF—AND THE EARTH—WELL

As it turns out, what's healthiest for us personally, also happens to be what's healthiest for the earth. Says Neal Barnard, M.D. of the Physicians Committee for Responsible Medicine, "what you place on the end of your fork has profound implications for the welfare of the planet." The environmental impact of eating animal foods is astounding. Barnard says it takes about 2500 gallons of water to yield one pound of edible beef. With the same amount of water, farmers can produce nearly 50 pounds of fruit, or over 100 pounds of potatoes. "Besides being easy, delicious, economical, fun and healthful," Barnard says, "following a plant-based diet transforms your plate into a powerful tool for environmental protection and restoration."

It's also a profound statement, according to The Pretenders singer Chrissie Hynde as heard in **The Vegetable Chronicles**, "The decision to try to avoid junk food shows a real strength of individuality...It's not encouraged in our society and it's not in the interest of a lot of fast food chains. It's your decision to make."

Student Activities Intern Needed

It's the time of the semester when things are winding down and reflections are made upon the last few months. My name is Kristen Servant, and I am the current Student Activities/Student Center intern. My last few months have been filled with new experiences surrounding my internship in the Student Activities/Student Center Office. I was approached by a professor who had received a letter about the new internship opportunity and who had thought of my interest in working with the college community in my future occupation. I applied, was interviewed, and was hired. This position is a one-semester, 10-12 hours per week, non-paying and non-credit opportunity to work with the college community to inform students on the functions of the Student Activities/Student Center Office and to grow in interpersonal and professional skills. This semester I learned how to compose and distribute newsletters, organize and maintain a resource file available to students, write weekly newspaper articles on student lead-

ers, and encourage student organizations to publicize their activities. These invaluable skills have enabled me to grow as an individual and a budding professional. Unfortunately, I must move on at the end of this semester. Therefore, the Student Activities/Student Center Office is in search of an intern for the Fall 1997 semester. Students in many majors can apply these skills to their future endeavors. Students in Communications, Business, Urban Studies, etc. can surely benefit from this opportunity. The office is a welcoming and fostering environment where individual creativeness and perseverance are encouraged. I highly recommend that undergraduate students with interests in working with the college community, and in a positive working environment, apply before the deadline (5pm, Tues. April, 29). If you have any questions about the position please feel free to call me or the Melinda Wicks-Doherty at 793-8000, ext.8073.



Interested in spending a semester as a WSC Exchange Student?

WSC is currently accepting applications for our Spring 1998 exchange with the University of Cayey, Puerto Rico and the Worcester College of Higher Education, Worcester, England. Please complete the tearback below and return it to the Academic Success Center on the third floor of the Student Center.

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National Immunization Information Hotline Launched National Infant Immunization Week Is April 20-26

People with questions about vaccinations can call the National Immunization Information Hotline, a new toll-free service providing information about vaccine-preventable diseases and immunizations to protect against them. The hotline is operated by the American Social Health Association under contract with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's National Immunization Program.

Hotline counselors, who began serving callers on March 17, are preparing for increased calls during National Infant Immunization Week, April 20-26.

The hotline is expected to answer 52,000 calls each year on its English service (800/232-2522) and 5,200 calls annually on its Spanish service (800/232-0233).

Callers can receive information about 12 vaccine-preventable diseases: chicken pox (varicella) diphtheria, haemophilus influenza type B (Hib), hepatitis B, influenza, measles, mumps, pneumococcal disease, polio, rubella, tetanus and whooping cough (pertussis).

The hotline gives information on who should be immunized, when to be immunized and sites where vaccines are available. It also offers free publications.

Hotline hours are 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. Eastern time, Monday through Friday.

Mary Stuart, hotline director, said the service's most vital role is encouraging parents to have their children vaccinated on time. According to the CDC, one-fourth of

children in the U.S. have not been fully immunized against childhood diseases.

One of parents' most common misconceptions is that vaccinations are necessary only when a child is old enough for school," Stuart said. In fact, children need 80 percent of their vaccinations before they are two years old. Most child care providers and schools will not accept children who have not completed the necessary vaccinations.

Some parents assume that childhood vaccines are no longer important because diseases such as measles are not as common as they once were, "Stuart continued. However, immunizations are responsible for the decline of these diseases. When parents stop having their children immunized, new outbreaks occur."

For example, she said, a major cause of the measles epidemic of 1989-91 was the failure to vaccinate children against measles at 12 to 15 months of age. The epidemic infected more than 55,000 Americans, accounting for about 11,000 hospitalizations and 120 deaths.

The immunization hotline also answers questions about recommended vaccinations for adolescents and adults.

The new hotline joins the National AIDS Hotline (800/342-2437) and National STD Hotline (800/227-8922) as toll-free services operated by ASHA under contract with CDC. These hotlines answer more than 1.2 million calls each year.

FOUNDER OF (NOW) TO SPEAK AT WORCESTER STATE COLLEGE

Muriel Fox, one of the founders of the National Organization for Women (NOW) will deliver a talk at Worcester State College entitled "Communicating Feminism: How we introduced the modern women's movement to the world." The talk will take place on Tuesday, May 6, 1997 in the North/South Auditorium of the Student Center at 2:30PM. A question and answer period will follow. Refreshments will be served.

Ms. Fox was national Chair of the Board of NOW from 1971 to 1973 and a member of Now National Board from 1966 until 1974. She headed NOW's public relations during its first two years, beginning before the founding conference in October 1966 and was the communicator who first introduced the new women's movement to the media of the world. She founded and edited the NOW national newsletter, *Do it Now*, predecessor of the *NOW National Times*.

She is a founder and past president of the Women's Forum, an organization of prominent women from diverse fields, and

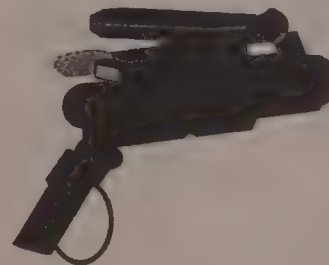
founder and honorary board chair of the NOW Legal Defense and Education Fund.

She was described by *Business Week Magazine's* list of 100 Top Corporate Women in June 1976 as the "top-ranking woman in public relations." She is former executive vice president of Carl Byoir & Associates, at that time the third largest public relations firm in the United States. She was the first public relations executive to win the Achievement Award of American Women in Radio and Television, and the first woman to receive the "Business Leader of the Year" Award from Americans for Democratic Action.

Ms. Fox lectures frequently around the world on topics related to Communications, Family Trends, and the Women's Movement.

For more information contact: Carlos Fontes Ph.D., Department of Communications, Worcester State College, 486 Chandler Street, Worcester, MA 01602-2597. Phone (508) 793-8000, Ext. 8716

Communications Majors!



Submit your VIDEO to the
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The Communication Department, the National Broadcasting Society and AERho is presenting awards to the three top videos at the end of the semester Communication Party

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Spring Unfolds in the Communication Disorders Department

A bouquet of fresh original ideas will be presented by two Communication Disorders graduate students whose investigation represents the "pick of the crop" for the Communication Disorders Research class. On May 1, 1997 at 4:30pm in L121 (LRC) two graduate students will briefly present the research investigation to the Worcester State College community
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Arts & Entertainment

Music and Dancing Highlight 'Crazy for You'

Valerie Beals
Staff Reporter

Worcester County Light Opera's production of the Gershwin musical "Crazy for You" opened this past weekend with a bang. The production, running at the Zecco Performing Arts Center at Anna Maria College, was marked by wonderful performances by the whole cast.

"Crazy for You" is a tribute to the music of George and Ira Gershwin. The show debuted on Broadway five years ago. While the storyline is rather simple and somewhat unappealing, the dancing and music make-up for the lack of plot content.

The story centers around a man named Bobby Child, portrayed by Rick Sosny. Bobby is a singer/dancer that is tied to his

rich mother's apron strings. Mom, portrayed by Grace Leslie, sends her son to foreclose on a theater in a little town called Deadrock, Nevada.

After arriving in Deadrock, Bobby encounters four townies hanging outside a bar and one woman named Polly (Erie Conley). Polly is the daughter of theater owner Everett Baker (Even Graber), and soon to be his nemesis. In the end, however, the two find their way together and, in true musical style, have a happy ending.

I attended Saturday nights performance, and, with a few exceptions, I was very impressed with the show.

The show was highlighted by some fast and frenzied tap numbers, including "I Got Rhythm" and "Nice Work If You Can Get

It." Choreographer Denise Day should be commended for her efforts as all the dance numbers were eye-catching and well worth the \$16 admission.

Sosny and Conley gave convincing performances as the two lead characters. Sosny's tap dancing and strong vocal talents can be seen in such numbers as "I Can't Be Bothered Now" and "K-razy For You." His comedic side shows through every scene, but particularly notable in a scene with actor and producer Victor Kruczynski, Jr. Kruczynski plays Bela Zangler, theater entrepreneur. In their scene, the two actors play off one another in a comedic act that has to be seen to truly understand. Conley has a sweet voice and is a terrific actress. If it wasn't for the lack of a sound system,

Conley could truly shine in songs like "Someone To Watch Over Me" and "But Not For Me."

Other notable performances include Timothy J. Smith as the seedy Lank Hawkins and Elena J. Seymour as the ever so snobbish Irene Roth, fiancée to Bobby Child. The supporting cast (almost 20 in all) do a wonderful job keeping up the pace and lending comedic character to a plot that needs all the help it can get.

The show will be running this weekend with shows Friday and Saturday at 8pm and a matinee on Sunday at 2pm. Tickets are \$16 and are by reserve seating only. For tickets, call the Worcester County Light Opera box office at (508) 753-4383. Group rates are also available.

"Hagar the Horrible" to Open This Weekend

By Valerie Beals
Staff Reporter

K&K productions will present their spring production of "Hagar the Horrible" this weekend at the Mountview Middle School in Holden. While the cast consists of 30 children, the show is full of fun for the whole family.

The show is based on the popular comic strip and showcases the talents of local kids from Worcester, Auburn, Shrewsbury, Northboro, Millbury and more.

K&K productions has been a contributing non-profit organization for more than 5 years in Worcester, yet they are virtually unknown by most of the Worcester theater

people. It is a shame since they offer two workshops a year with the possibility of one more in the summer. Last years productions of "Charlotte's Web" and "Dorothy Meets Alice" were performed to sold out crowds of appreciative parents and friends.

So, what is K&K Productions? 'K' is Kevin Baldwin, Director and Producer of all the shows, so far. Kevin is a seasoned actor and his directing talents produce shows that all the performers should be proud of. The other 'K' is his wife and choreographer Karen Baldwin. Karen is an accomplished dancer in her own right. Her choreography is usually simple so even a clumsy child can dance the steps and still look good. It should

be noted that for the more advanced dancer, Karen has also choreographed numbers that can even challenge herself at times. Together with their musical director Deb Bonneau, this team does more for the children of Worcester than could ever be writ-

ten in one article.

If you have the time this weekend, I would highly recommend seeing "Hager the Horrible." The show runs Friday, Saturday, and Sunday nights at 7pm. For more information, call Kevin Baldwin at (508) 753-0977 or email him at kbaldwin@ultranet.com.

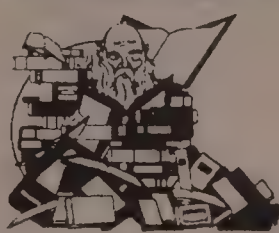
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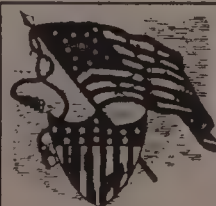
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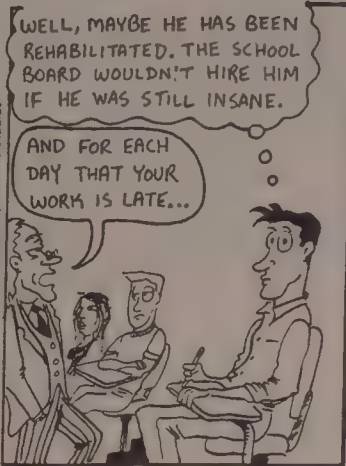
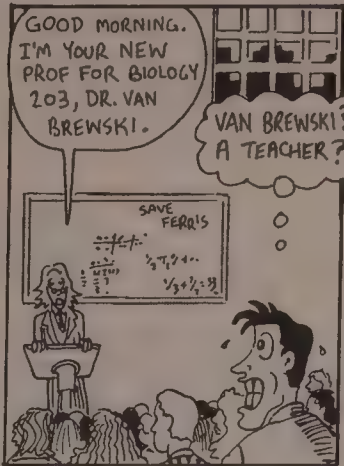
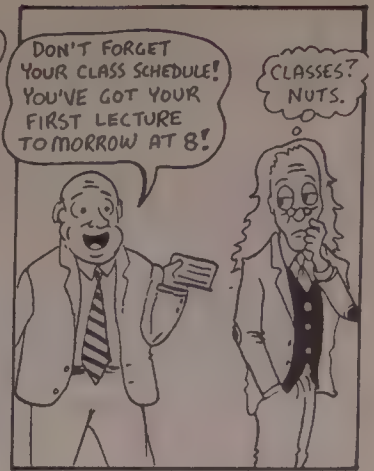
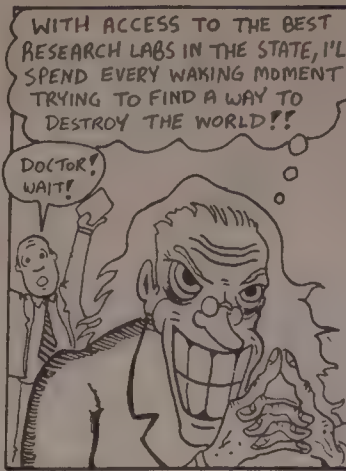
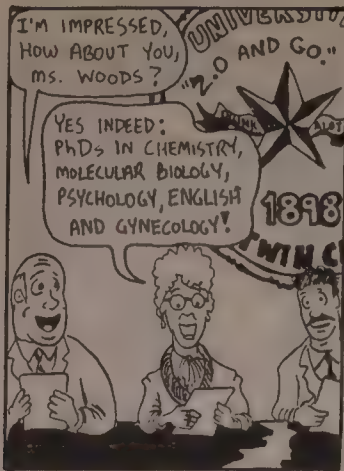

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T u b u l a r m a n

by Boomer Cardinale



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We have a roof leak in our house.

My dad's tried to find out where it's coming from. The only thing he's sure of is that it only happens when it rains.

It drips into the fish tank. Actually the fish seem healthier.

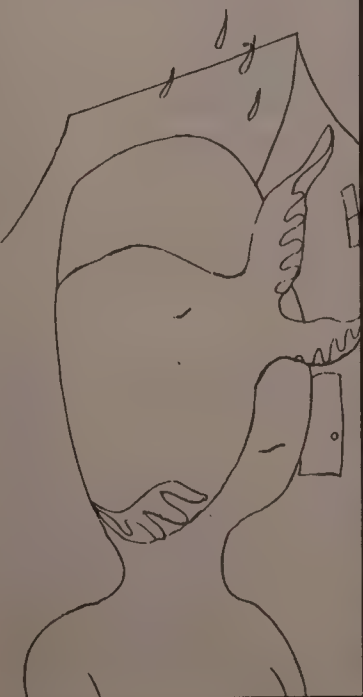
My mom and dad are divorced.

When I asked my mom if my dad can keep coming over to try to find the leak, she started to cry.

I guess she felt sorry for the fish.

What a babe. She is so sensitive.

Life is good.



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Arts & Entertainment

Dining Out The College Way With *Trish, Roula and Friends*

Before we begin, I'd like to clarify to those who have misconceptions regarding the purpose of this article. Roula and I give accurate and detailed descriptions of our dining experiences at the risk of displeasing and sometimes offending people. We apologize for doing so but know that what is written is the truth and that we are not going to embellish our experience just to satisfy certain establishments. (See Ground Round review - April 10th, 1997).

At any rate, we decided to eat at Chili's Grill and Bar on Route 9 to celebrate Roxana's birthday last week. Eight of us were seated at a comfortable, yet small, 6 person booth until it was time to order. At that point, we realized there was not enough room for the food and proceeded to move ourselves to one of the many larger tables available in the restaurant so that we weren't sitting on each other's laps. As fun as it may be, it isn't exactly practical.

After a considerable amount of time elapsed, we finally came to a decision regarding our order. The waitress patiently went around the table and carefully jotted down our alterations of the original menu. "No peas, mustard on the side, no onions, add pickles and can we have water with that?...". I had coffee and the country fried steak for \$6.95 served with country gravy, mashed potatoes, corn on the cob and garlic toast. The mashed potatoes and the corn on the cob were excellent. The steak was tasty except for the fact that it was drowning in the gravy and holding on to the side of the plate for dear life. The portions at Chili's are gigantic and you will definitely not leave hungry.

I probably don't need to tell you this but the variety of food

there is excellent and judging by what our friends ate you can pretty much get the picture. The orders were Hickory burger, Chicken sandwich, and Grilled Chicken Pasta. One of our friends had a chocolate shake. They all enjoyed their meals and had only good things to say. I along with another guest had the Fahita Pita Chicken (\$5.99) and what else but coke to wash it down with. This was delicious and very filling.

The waitresses were very patient and



courteous. Initially we had told them we would have the cake at 1:38 p.m. but since we ordered at 1:30 this was impossible. So we changed it to 2:00 but I had to drop one of our friends off at school and so we put off the cake for later. A little while after I got back to Chili's and had my lunch the cake came, at 2:40, and Roxana was very

surprised.

Everyone enjoyed their meal and had absolutely no complaints. Except maybe for Roxana who turned 5 shades of red as the entire staff brought out a large candle-lit cake and started singing "Happy Birthday". Our total came to \$59.26 for eight, or for seven if you count the lunches ordered. If

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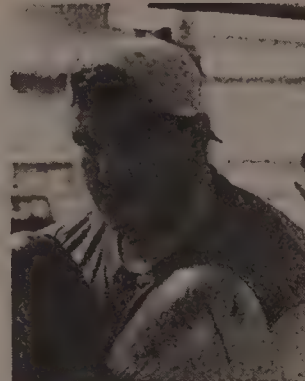
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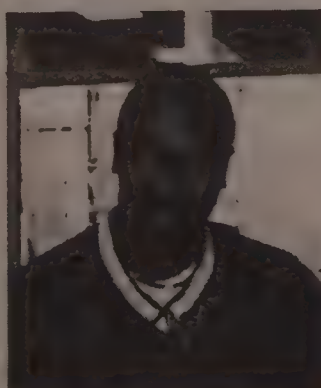


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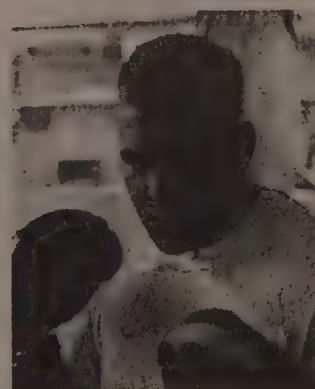


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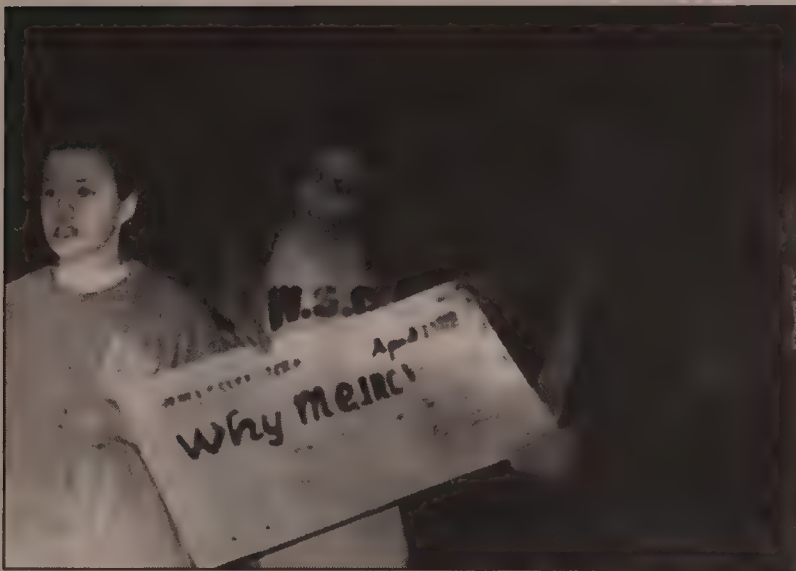
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Sports

Volleyball Marathon Pictures



At press time, all that was available for publication were the photographs. A story on the Volleyball Marathon will appear next week in the Student Voice.



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Poetry Page

He Does What He Does

He takes the bullet meant for another
He holds back the unrushing tide of destruc-
tion
His stride is like that of a giant
With each step he surpasses the best aspira-
tions of men.

He wears no garish costume
He has no power of divine origin
He does what he does at risk of life and limb
For he has no guarantee

He does what he does
For but one reason alone
He does what he does
Because tis the right thing to do.

Joe Stalin

Forever is an illusion

The red, hot energy
dances before its ignitor
rising and flailing
a solo tango
caressing the opaque wall
which is its captor.

It is innocent and expects
to dance forever
fueled by the wick
that does not let it explore.
Forever is an illusion,
like the stars,
hot millions of years ago.

But the wick would kill it,
Betray the dramatist.
The flame suffocates
as the wick runs out.

We seek freedom but are betrayed.
I trust the wick.
Faithful, gorging
consuming without waxy resistance.

A friendship began in wonder,
ending in war
with solo dancers
flickering in blue.

The fury calms
the pulsing fuel inside
focuses on the
passion of its dance,
its heat.
A gritting jaw and red cheeks
soon recede behind
steel oceans of
calm reflection.

THE UNDERWORLD TOUR

Orange hues dazzle upon an endless onyx sea
Cumbersome husks of would-be dreams float
for eternity in the mire of discontent
Crimson strains of lipstick and rouge drift
like cosmetic oil spills after a sale
Foul mermaids lurk in the depths
They giggle to no end like drunken hyenas
A skeleton stained with muck sits on a rock
He used to be somebody, but now he cannot
remember how he got here
He doesn't even know he's dead
Reading a an old and tattered newspaper
Checking the stocks, making sure they are fine
The warm and stale wind brings the insects
Big, nasty crawly things that hover and spin
Half-filled dumpsters full of trash line the bay
Lost causes and fatal pauses plague this world
Hopes forsaken and steps never taken rule here
Stuffed feelings and underhanded dealings alas,
the broken promises of yesterday allow for no
more trust today...not today...
A leaky faucet that always drips may drive you mad
but it is music to another's ears
In the silence there is only you
An existential loneliness that haunts even the Sun
A meaningless swamp of fear, jealousy and despair
Standing at the edge of a fiery chasm
vomit your pain into the darkness
Cling to a belief if you dare
Whatever gets you through the night
Divorced from your own sentiments
wallow in the syntax and wonder who you are
Another hollow money-making robot
Bow down to your Master like a loyal pet
Gaze upon what you see in a mirror
Is that you? Ha. Ha. Ha...
Maybe you better get a second opinion
Sassy and saucy and you don't even know...
that the one you're trying to please
is the one you're letting run the show...

Christopher M. Smith

Special End-of-Year Issue



The Student VOICE

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SENIOR WEEK BEGINS MONDAY!!!!!!!!!!!!

By Valerie Beals
Staff Reporter

First off, I just want to congratulate all the graduating seniors. All I can say is, YOU DID IT!!! Now it is time to PARTY!! Let Worcester State send you off with a bang with the events happening during your week. Senior week runs Monday, May 12 through Saturday, May 17. Most of the events are for people ages 21 and over with a positive ID, so make sure you have them with you for these events:

Monday 5/12- Trip to Foxwoods. Meet in front of the student center at 5pm. Pay only \$5 and you **MUST** be 21. Remember, no alcohol on the bus.

Tuesday 5/13- Farewell Cookout. Meet on the football field at 4:30pm for Free Food, games, and prizes. Meet Travelin' Max for great music and a great time. This event is **open to all** campus residents.

Wednesday 5/14 Trip to Newport, RI. Meet in front of the student center at 1:30pm and pay only \$10 for the beach, food, music, and prizes!! Once again, no alcohol on the bus. Bus will depart from Newport at 8pm. Buy your tickets now so you can choose your meal.

Thursday 5/15- Boston Harbor Cruise. Meet in front of the student center at 5pm for dinner (all people going on the cruise **must** attend dinner/ all people attending dinner **must** go on the cruise). The cost is only \$10 for both. You must be 21 w/ positive ID. Again, no alcohol on the bus please.

Friday 5/1- Zero Day Countdown/Midnight Breakfast. Meet in the Pub at 8pm for our LAST DAY until graduation. Free food starts at 11:30pm. There will be music and prizes, but you must be 21 w/ positive ID.

Saturday 5/17- THE BIG DAY!!! Please be at the college between 8 and 8:30am. Watch for more information in the mail.

Tickets and invitations are available now at the information desk in the student center. If there are any further question, leave a message with Sue or any of the class officers at ext. 8073.

A general note for **everyone**, don't forget to order your yearbooks at the information desk. They are only \$25 and are well worth the price. Don't wait! Order yours today!

Well, that's the last article for me this semester. I will see all of you underclassmen next fall. Have a great summer! And remember, don't drink and drive. Be safe!

Congratulations class of 1997!!!!!!

Practice Pays Off!

On Saturday May 3, the Worcester State Crew Club trekked to their boat-house in the early morning just like any other morning since last June. But this day was different, the parking lot, usually empty, was overflowing with racing shells, oars, vans but most importantly, rowers and coxswains. As people's blood pressure rose in search of parking; the temperature fell and the sky opened its floodgates. However nothing stands in the way of this original breed of athlete! The New England

Championships began as scheduled at 8 a.m. The WSC lightweight women's four, with Maria Velentas as stroke, Season Faxon, Theresa Kann, Tonya Pickett and Kelly Morrison, their cox advanced to the finals with a strong third place in their 11:45 qualifying heat. Then at 12:00 the lightweight men's four with stroke Chris Deluka, Zachary DePace, Jeff Alex, Mike McDonald and cox Vicki Elliotte ad-

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Letters To the Editor: Oh My Ghosh!

To the Editor:

A generation ago I began college in New York State, while being financially supported by my parents who merely wanted to keep me out of Vietnam, but did not expect me to amount to anything academically. Not meeting their rather low expectations, I dropped out of college in protest to what I perceived to be the general support by academic institutions for the Vietnam War. Also I wanted to be less a part of what I called the disposable generation. More and more consumer goods were being produced that soon became trash, if not hazardous waste.

A generation later more trash is being produced. By necessity there is also more recycling, and more innovation in using what we have. As a father, as well as a son, I returned to college as a consumer looking for a little recreation. I found that the variety of course offerings at Worcester State College exceeded my expectations. The first course that I took was professor Richard Hunt's "Cultural Geography" which was a stimulating course that examined cultural diversity. As I continued taking geography courses, the second academic career I choose was that of a geography major vs. art, music, reading, and writing at my first college. In cultural geography I learned that most Americans change careers at least

once. This rule seems to apply to many of us graduating from the geography department we started college at another institution. What attracted us to Worcester State?

The business policy of President Kaylan K. Ghosh may be to seek large classroom head counts and to eliminate those courses and departments that do not meet a minimum size (presumably some from the sciences), but to the many students who commute and have to help support families, traveling 20 or 40 more miles to another state college (with a specialty) may not be an option. Also, many of us, that will continue to praise Worcester State college after we graduate rather than to curse it after we transfer or drop out, some of our praise will be for the rich list of course offerings. To all students interested in getting an education rather than just a degree, a class with an exciting professor and half a dozen avid students is better than having a burned out professor in a room with three dozen students, many of whom are seeking an easy course.

In an age when the rate of new products are ever increasing, does it make sense to cut back what Worcester State is offering? One of the fastest growing

fields is the environmental field. Professor Richard G. Hunt (geography), and professor Alan D. Cooper (chemistry) have developed an interdisciplinary curriculum in environmental science and management that has its supporters in many departments such as urban studies, economics, and even closet administrative supporters. I hope that the President will open the door to interdisciplinary environmental education at Worcester State. There are some creative people in the administration and business departments that could sell such a program. Also there are people at WPI that would join the effort.

In an age of increasing complexity, and a greater number of people seeking higher degrees to work with this complexity, the strength Worcester State has to offer is not necessarily the ability to train the most advanced specialists or researchers. Another strength of Worcester State's could be to provide people with some knowledge of general science and liberal arts (including writing and communications skills) that have a big picture of our environment, who are capable of managing some of the specialists. For those environmental students

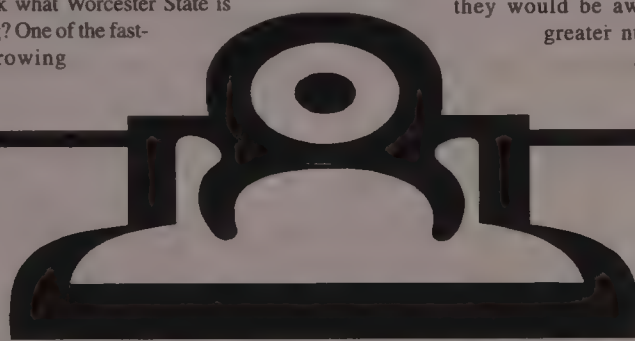
lacking or not interested in leadership, they would be aware of a greater number of sub fields.

With the advent of e-mail there are more ideas being shared that need to be integrated than ever before. Tenured professors that are doing this rather than resting on their laurels should be applauded. They and students like them can create an educational environment of sustainability in the face of an ageing population and enrollments that will be shrinking.

If it were not for the variety of courses offered amid the enthusiasm of certain professors and students in my former classes, I would have once again been called a college drop out. A regret some of us graduating have is that we were unable to take all the courses, sometimes offered infrequently, that we wanted to take. When we leave Worcester State, besides missing people, the chance to choose next semesters classes is missed. Be it in or out of the classroom, one thing all people would agree on is that they want a good environment. The question is, how will that be achieved?

Sincerely, Glenn D'Alessio

Please note, Professor's Cooper and Hunt were not aware that I was writing this letter, and the opinion about the business policy of President Kaylan K. Ghosh was my own opinion.



Calendar

Thursday, May 8

- Exams begin
- TR 10:00 exam at 8:30
- TR 1:00 exam at 12:30
- Ascension Day
- Liberation Day (France)

Friday, May 9

- MWF 8:30 exam at 8:30
- MWF 12:30 exam at 12:30

Sunday, May 11

- Mother's Day

Monday, May 12

- MWF 9:30 exam at 8:30
- MWF 1:30 exam at 12:30
- Senior Trip to Foxwoods 4-10pm

Tuesday, May 13

- TR 8:30 exam at 8:30
- TR 11:30 exam at 12:30

-Senior cookout 5-9pm

Wednesday, May 14

- MWF 10:30 exam at 8:30
- MWF 11:30 exam at 12:30
- Newport Clambake 2-8pm

Thursday, May 15

- MWF 2:30 exam at 8:30
- Senior Dinner/Harbor Cruise 5-11pm

Friday, May 16

- Senior Night at OLP 8pm-1am

Saturday, May 17

- Commencement Day
- Armed Forces Day

Monday, May 19

- Victoria Day (Canada)
- Whit Monday (France, Germany)

COMMENTARY

Senioritis Epidemic Afflicts Worcester State!

I'm sure that many of you have caught the highly contagious illness called Laborus Sporadica, better known as Senioritis. Commonly thought to only be a lack of effort, Senioritis has been shown, in recent months, to be an actual illness.

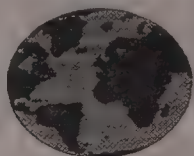
Senioritis is caused by a spore from several types of vegetation. The list of vegetable life includes: marigolds, orchids, roses, tulips, pine and oak trees, and basically any plant form with more than one consonant in its name. There has also been a link found with plastic plants, though this has yet to be empirically documented.

These spores are carried through the air by wind, which upon contact with human flesh causes those so infected to immediately find a lack of energy to do anything work or school related.

Symptoms include the following: listlessness (lack of energy), carelessness (lack of care), antidisestablishmentarianism (300 points to anyone who knows what this actually means), and a general decrease in the quality of individual education.

This can lead to two other serious conditions known as Nongraduatia Symplex-42, and Gradecemberatious Nonintentia. The first, better known as Notagradua, is not serious in and of itself, but if coupled with the harsher form of Gradecemberatious Nonintentis, better known as Yeir-Lait Syndrome (named after Drs. Miles Yeir and Emily Lait), it can lead to disastrous circumstances.

The treatment of Laborus Sporadica is very simple: get off your ass and study!



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CAMPUS AND WORLD NEWS

Graduation News: Now is the Time to Weigh Student Loan Repayment Plans

Congratulations! Your college graduation is just a few short weeks away, which means it's almost time to put away the books, take-out the cap and gown, put on a smile and enjoy your success. Not only is finishing college a time to celebrate academic achievements, it's also a time to take on a number of new responsibilities. And if you have student loans, one of those responsibilities will be repayment.

Federal student loan programs give you a six-month grace period before your first payment is due. It's wise to use this time not only to decide on your post-college plans, but to choose which loan repayment program works best for you.

"There are a number of student loan repayment plans that can help make monthly payments more affordable," said Lydia Marshall, executive vice president, Sallie Mae. "The key is to research which plans are available and choose the one that fits your budget and lifestyle."

Marshall explains the following repayment plans available from Sallie Mae, which services one in three federally guaranteed loans outstanding.

• **Standard Repayment Account:** With a Standard Repayment Account, you make principal and interest payments each month throughout your loan term. You'll pay the least amount of interest using this

option.

• **Graduated Repayment Plan:** This plan lets you make reduced payments in the early years of repayment and still pay off your loans within the standard 10-year repayment term. Initial interest-only monthly payments can be made in the beginning; but because the principal is not paid down as quickly as with Standard Repayment, you will pay more interest over the life of your loans.

• **Income-Sensitive Repayment:** With an income-sensitive repayment plan, payments are based on a percentage of your monthly gross income (between 4% and 25%). You must reapply every year for this option, and payments are adjusted annually to reflect any changes in income. You can use this program for a maximum of five years, as long as there are at least 12 months remaining in your repayment term.

• **Loan Consolidation:** This plan gives you the lowest monthly payments for the longest period. With loan consolidation, you can combine all your eligible federal loans (totaling at least \$7,500) into a single monthly payment. However, the lower payments and longer loan term will increase the cost of your loan.

• **Prepayment:** All federally sponsored loans allow you to prepay part or all of your obligation at any time during the life of the loan without penalty. Prepaying can greatly reduce the total cost of your loan.

Sallie Mae borrowers may qualify for repayment programs that will save them money on the overall cost of their loans. By making their payments on time, students can save hundreds of dollars on the total cost of their loans.

While choosing a repayment plan is important, Marshall also recommends the following tips for managing your student loans: Keep a file specifically for your education loan information.

• Make sure to let your loan servicer know

if you move.

Retain copies of all your loan documents, related correspondence and payment records.

Include your account number in all correspondence with your lender and on all payment checks.

Keep notes of your loan-related conversations and keep them on file. Open and read all mail about your student loan. It is quite possible that your loan will be sold to a secondary market like Sallie Mae, and you'll need to stay up to date on any changes.

For more information on repaying your student loans, call College Answer at 1-800-891-4599 or log-on to www.salliemae.com.

HAVE YOU THOUGHT ABOUT A MEDIA INTERNSHIP?

by Mark D. Gibson
Junior, Worcester State College
Communications Major

Media internships are a great opportunity to enhance your professional skills and obtain college credit while learning on the job training. This semester I completed an internship at the Bose Corporation within the Direct Marketing Group. The experience was both beneficial for myself and Bose. I was able to put classroom theory into action with practical situations on the job. My efforts were recognized and well received from my direct supervisor and supervisor's in lateral positions. Keep in mind that most internships are unpaid, however there are many out there that also offer paid positions which could lead into full time employment after graduation. Even if the position is unpaid you still gain the hands on knowledge and experience which many employers are looking for when you enter the work force. Internships are also beneficial when it comes to savings time and money. I was able to save time, which is a cherished commodity in any college students life, due to less travel between classes and skipping those countless hours in the library. Bot-

tom line: this saves money as well in consideration of transportation, books, supplies etc. Luckily for me and many others this was a paid position. I was getting paid to learn job skills within my Communications Major while earning college credit. The best of both worlds!

There are countless opportunities to be experienced from an internship, therefore I strongly urge anyone to pursue them. This opportunity will lead to be exciting and challenging. Speaking from experience, internships better equip one to enter the work force, not to mention it looks great on your resume for job experience. To inquire further contact Professor Don Bullens in the Communications Department for further details.

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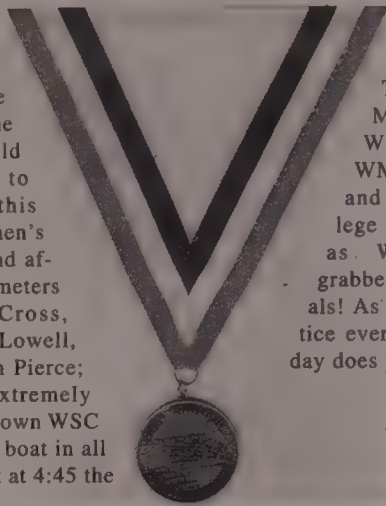
CAMPUS AND WORLD NEWS

Crew Review

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vanced to the final with a close second place.

As the weather became worse even the sun decided to hide, the races went on, it would take more than rain to chase of spectators this glorious day. The women's final started at 4:30 and after a hard, fast 2000 meters against Holy Cross, Middlebury, UMASS-Lowell, Brandeis, and Franklin Pierce; the girls placed an extremely close 4th. Making our own WSC women the fourth best boat in all of New England. Next at 4:45 the



men's final consisting of Franklin Pierce, Conn. College, Trinity, UVM, Middlebury and WSC, resulted in the WM boat taking first, and Middlebury College squeaking out 2nd as Worcester State grabbed the Bronze Metals! As you can see practice every day, twice each day does pay off.

The Voice wishes a
"good luck" to the new
Co-Editors Valerie
Beals and Teresa Iaconi

Jack Dugg

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So how do you like this? issue so far.

Chart for white Caucasian middle To lower class males.

Statistics show that if you are a Caucasian middle To lower-class male, you would probably have a more positive opinion on "Jack Dugg".

CHART #11

Gay/lesbian upper class males who liked it 39%.

Ordnal women illegally selling Bopps to people in the street. 42% like it 23% liked it.

Blackmales between the ages of 18-27 who have gotten stoned at a "Jack Dugg" event. 42% like it 23% liked it.

People who like "Jack Dugg" 67% think it's funny.

For instance, I haven't forgotten the other essential and vital categories of people who find solace and enjoyment in our series.

yes, Jack Dugg is a comic designed for all peoples of all backgrounds of all walks of life...

People who simply don't like Jack Dugg

Also, to be fair, we here at the staff (clandestine) are open-minded enough to take a little criticism...

But to be fair to our conservative side, we have even subdivided this category by showing you a pie chart of people we have talked about... (white Jack Dugg)

And of course, I recently, according to the latest poll if you were a Caucasian suburban dwelling upper-to middle class housewife and Baby boomer who watches "Mad about you" and reads "Dorothy", you shouldn't even be picking up this comic.

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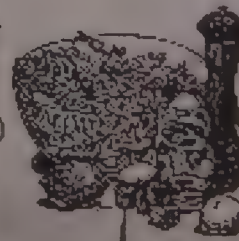
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Arts & Entertainment

Dining Out The College Way With *Trish*, Roula, and Friends.



Last Wednesday, being an absolutely gorgeous sunny afternoon, we decided to grab a couple sandwiches from Boomers on Highland Street and have ourselves some sort of a picnic on the school front lawn. Don't laugh! It was actually fun, laying in the sun to take a cat nap after lunch. Try it sometimes!

Boomers is about a 6 minute drive from school, has a nice atmosphere, and the prices are low. After looking at the menu I immediately knew what I wanted. I ordered the Italian Stallion. The sandwich contains imported ham, genoa salami, cooked salami, provolone cheese, dressing, lettuce, tomatoes, onions, peppers, pickles and hot peppers on a half loaf of Italian bread all for only \$3.85. It was absolutely delicious. I could only eat half of it but I was filled. Heckle also had a sub and he enjoyed it. He had the turkey and bacon sub.

At any rate, I ordered a tuna salad sub with lettuce, tomato, onion and pickles for \$3.95 and a orange/mango Snapple. The sub tasted awesome and was very filling. Jeckle made chocolate cake (from scratch, he claims) and was

kind enough to share it with us. Believe it or not, some men can bake... It was perfect! Now, I was definitely ready for a nap which lasted until Roula woke me up to take a final exam. Pest! Just Kidding!

We enjoyed our sandwiches on the Arabella H. Tucker bench near the administration building. The marble bench is in loving memory of the instructor who taught here from 1888 to 1917. After four years here I never even knew there was a bench there and since it is a great area for a picnic we wanted you to know its name. So as I was writing this article Jeckle and

I decided to find out the name of the instructor on the bench. And thanks to the late Ms. Tucker, he almost got into trouble with his professor. So much for his A average.

Now back to that day. After I finished half of my sub, we sat for a while and as Trish mentioned she took a nap and I was kind enough to wake her for her final. (She got an A.) While she napped Heckle and Jeckle played a soccer with the Volleyball.

I definitely recommend Boomers the choices there are immense. There is

of course subs, pizza, and Gyros, pasta, soups, and vegetarian plates. The prices make us college students with a budget very happy.

Your choices of sandwiches are varied, even though, the place is mostly Italian. The service was quick and we all enjoyed our sandwiches. So, if you are in middle of finals and you need a break go to Boomers and grab some food. You can eat it there, (they have tables), or take it out.

Leold (leold@javanel.com)
by Roger and Salem Salloom ©1996

*God punched me twice.
I couldn't fight back.*

*He made me feel like a loser
and he punched me on the bottom
of my feet.*

*My mother, father and all my
friends know I've been knocked out
a couple of times, but I have one
little friend who doesn't know.*

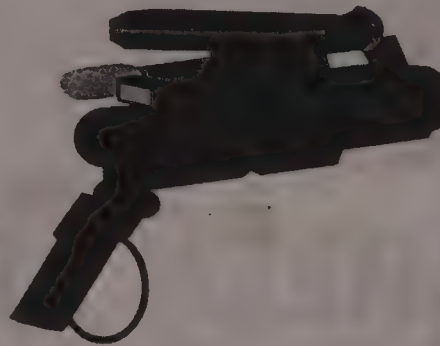
*So I buy him presents a few
times a year.*

*I take him for long bike rides
in the woods and lie to him about
how wonderful I am.*

*Boy is that kid lucky he
found me.*



Communications Majors!



Submit your VIDEO to the
3rd Annual Communication Department
&
AERho Video Festival
&
Senior Awards Ceremony

The Communication Department, the National Broadcasting Society and AERho is presenting awards to the three top videos at the end of the semester Communication Party.

The ceremony honors our graduating seniors and happens on **Friday, May 9, at 8PM at the Elks Lodge, 233 Mill Street, Worcester, MA.**

Here are the contest rules:

- Any communications student may enter
- The videos may be any length
- Selected videos are viewed and judged by our peers at the festival
- Submit videos to Peg Gentile, Room L-120D by Noon, Friday, May 9.

Entertainment by WSCW. Cash bar and munchies. Tickets are \$5.00 and can be purchased from the Communications Secretary, Peg Gentile, in L-120D or from Rob Fierro or Angel Felch.

Get some recognition and maybe even a trophy for all your hard work this semester!

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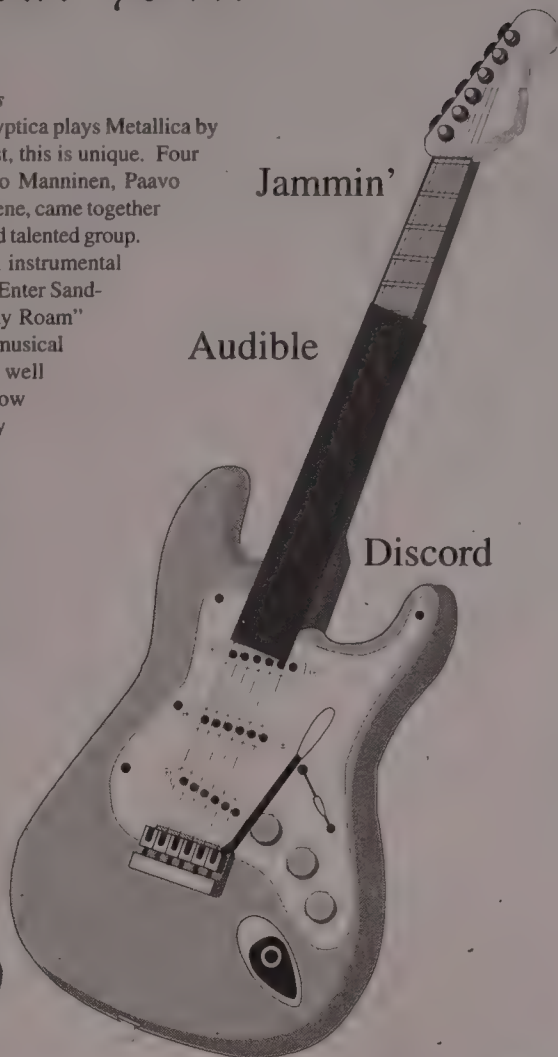
The Juke Box

By Emerson and Jeffray
Apocalyptica
Metallica meets The Cellos

Let us explain... Apocalyptica plays Metallica by four cellos. To say the least, this is unique. Four cellists, Max Lilja, Antero Manninen, Paavo Lotjonen and Eicca Toppinen, came together to form this very original and talented group. The album is obviously all instrumental but you can easily discern "Enter Sandman" and "Wherever I May Roam" among many others. The musical arrangement is extremely well done, in case you don't know much about music, it is very difficult to play rock music with the cello and STILL make it sound like rock music. Apocalyptica is an exceptional album, we suggest you give it a listen and see if you can still thrash your head to it.

Produced by Pekka Ritualuoto.

Recorded by Mercury Records



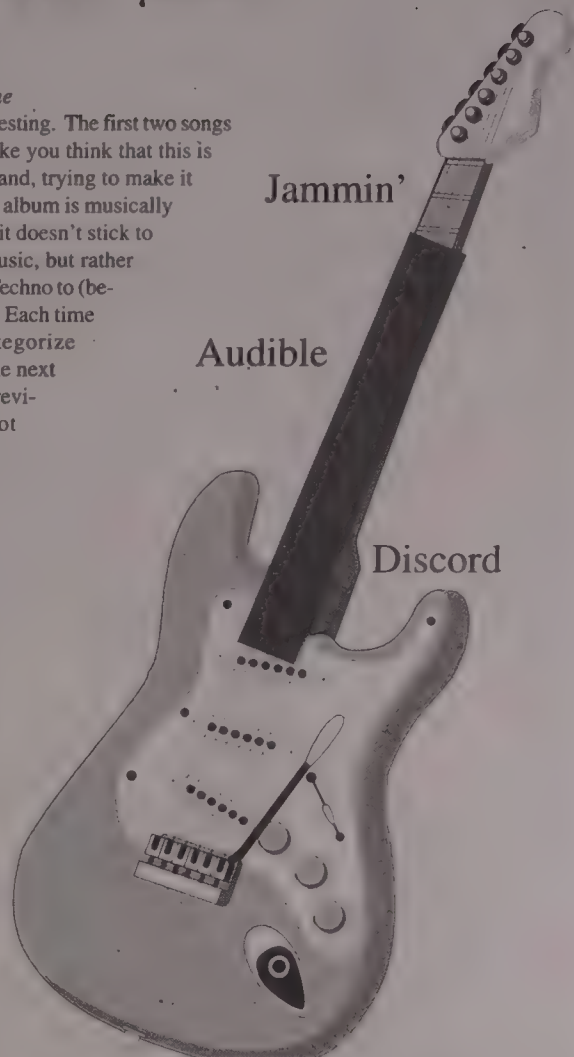
The Juke Box

By Emerson and Jeffray
Faithless - Reverence
Faithless meets Everyone

Wow! Now, this is interesting. The first two songs on this album would make you think that this is just another Rap/Funk band, trying to make it big... Think again! This album is musically diverse in itself because it doesn't stick to one particular type of music, but rather travels from Rap, Funk, Techno to (believe it or not) Opera???. Each time we've managed to categorize Faithless - Reverence, the next song contradicted the previous one. We could not come up with a band that would make for an adequate comparison. The CD, as a whole, has a very European quality which makes for an intriguing experience to say the least. This is one of the harder reviews we've had to write because we have too much to compare it to. Everything is accurate, yet nothing quite matches their style as an entirety.

Produced by Rollo and Sister Bliss

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Poetry Page

Family Is Forever

Aster roamed the lonely hallways of Whitman
Mansion
Long since abandoned, it was the home of the
Carnigans
They were the most wealthy and prominent couple in
Dreilway, Michigan
This was back around the turn of the Century
They were very happy and they had traveled the
world
However, they tried for years, but could have no
children
Finally, they adopted a one year old girl named Aster
Aster Berrows spent the first ten months of her life
in an orphanage in Sillini, North Dakota
Now, Aster Carnigan lives in luxury and has the very
best of everything that money can buy
She also has the unconditional love of both of her
parents
Four six years the Carnigans lived in bliss and
harmony
They grew together as a family and they shared many
wonderful times in that house
Friends and family would come to visit and they
would
praise Aster on how tall she was getting and about
how
creative and intelligent she was for her age
There was much love and happiness in Dreilway then
In the Autumn of 1907 Aster contracted Tuberculosis
as did many others in that area at that time
Her Father found the best doctors in the world and
brought
them to Aster, but they could do very little for her
The disease was far too advanced and she was so frail
now
and her body had been damaged too much
Her Mother never left her side and took care of her
every
need, reading to her every night before she slept
They were honest with Aster and she expressed
sadness,
but also demonstrated acceptance and humility as
perhaps
only children can when it comes to mortality
She didn't understand, but she knew that her life
would
end soon
In the Spring of 1908 Aster died
The family was devastated, and after the funeral, they
moved to California because they couldn't bear
staying
in that house with those memories so vivid
Now, in 1997, eighty-nine years later, Aster's ghost
still
resides in that boarded up old house
The passage of time no longer concerns her, but she is
trapped there away from the spirits of her Mother
and
Father who she misses so dearly
One day, when the land is sold and the house is
demolished,
Aster's spirit will be free and the Carnigans will be
reunited
once again in the great beyond
Until then, Aster will wander in the spectral
realm of grief...

Christopher M. Smith

An Ode

Sam Adams, Miller Lite,
and I wanna pick a fight,
Killians, Budweiser,
all give me a buzz

Bud Lite from a tap,
pint o' Guinness on my lap
I wake up, later year,
and i'm runnin' from the fuzz

Shot glass,
make a pass,
and I will land on my ass...

cuz I'm stewed.

Robert Pogorek III

Robin

Nothing we say can make up for the pain
Forever I'm drowning my tears in the rain
All I can share is my empty heart
Sitting here watching my life fall apart
You were a note that I wanted to hold
Now I'm alone in the night when I'm cold
Happiness smiles when the sun brings the day
Misery festers the longer I stay
You know I only want what is best
The time it has come it is time for a rest
Don't tell the children I said goodbye
You'll only lead them to wondering why
Whatever we shared I don't know where it's gone
I leave you this chance, A chance to be strong
I'll take your love with me to my grave
Love is the strongest thing you can save
I hope that you save my love too
Always remember that I love you

Charles William Longeway Jr.



